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ANNUAL REPORTS

— OF THE —

CITY OF BIDDEFORD

For the Fiscal Year 1917



TOGETHER WITH

The Mayor's Address



MAYOR HARTLEY C. BANKS

The Mayor's Address

Gentlemen of the City Council:

We have been elected by a majority of the voters of Biddeford to administer the affairs of the City for the coming year. It is not necessary to say that we are no longer Democrats, Republicans or Independents. We are simply the servants of the people of the City of Biddeford, sworn to perform the duties of our several offices to the best of our abilities, without regard to political, religious, racial or personal biases.

As a matter of course, we shall not all think alike on all questions but in arriving at conclusions, let us exercise a spirit of fairness, and calm, deliberate judgment that will cause no friction in the Governmental machinery.

FINANCES

The Bonded indebtedness of the City is at present \$395,000.00.

This indebtedness is being reduced annually by the retiring of Street and Sidewalk and Sewer Bonds. For further information in this department I would refer you to the report of the Treasurer.

BRIDGES

Especial attention must be given to this department during the ensuing year, as I understand many repairs must be made, and particularly in the outlying districts.

WOODLAWN CEMETERY

This department has been in very efficient hands the past year, the Superintendent, W. A. Rumery, has been very faithful in the discharge of his duties in the care of the Cemetery. Co-operation in this department would be advantageous. Owners of lots should take pride in the Cemetery by leaving trust funds, the interest of which could be applied to the perpetual care of their lots.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

This department is the most important one in our City as the protection of life and property devolve upon the Firemen. I would recommend that you give your immediate consideration to all matters brought to your attention pertaining to this department.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

We have been very fortunate in this department during the past year, as we have been free from serious contagious diseases. A new ordinance recommended by this department will become operative the coming year which I think will improve sanitary conditions. I would recommend that the garbage collection be placed if possible, under this department, and the refuse destroyed by incineration.

PAUPER DEPARTMENT

This department has been called upon during the year passed to cope with the increased cost of the necessities, and the unfortunates were well taken care of. We have many calls upon this department and I would recommend drastic measures be instituted against wife deserters, as this cause is the most serious one that this department has to contend with.

The Farm and Medical details of this department have been well managed during the year, and while we should practice economy we should at all times consider the humane side and give as much relief as possible to those who have to seek assistance from this department.

SIDEWALKS

Many improvements have been made in our streets and sidewalks through the medium of Bond issues. Our permanent Streets and Sidewalks are a source of pride to our City, and as much as possible should be done in this line this year.

SEWERS AND DRAINS

This department is a vital one and should have attention as soon as feasible. The work on the New Sewer has progressed as well as possible and every effort should be made to complete this sewer.

SCHOOLS

The management of this department is vested in a separate board elected by the people and I would recommend

that you lend your assistance to the Board in all matters pertaining to the conduct of this department whenever it lies in your power.

POLICE DEPARTMENT

This department is a credit to our City and everything should be done to keep it up to the high standard of efficiency that it now enjoys. The Chief, Captain and patrolmen have been faithful and enjoy the confidence of the entire people.

I think the addition of at least two regular men to the force would not be amiss as precautionary measures are most essential. I would recommend the installation of a Patrol wagon in this department, also a padded cell at the Station for the care and restraint of persons against whom Insane complaints have been lodged.

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

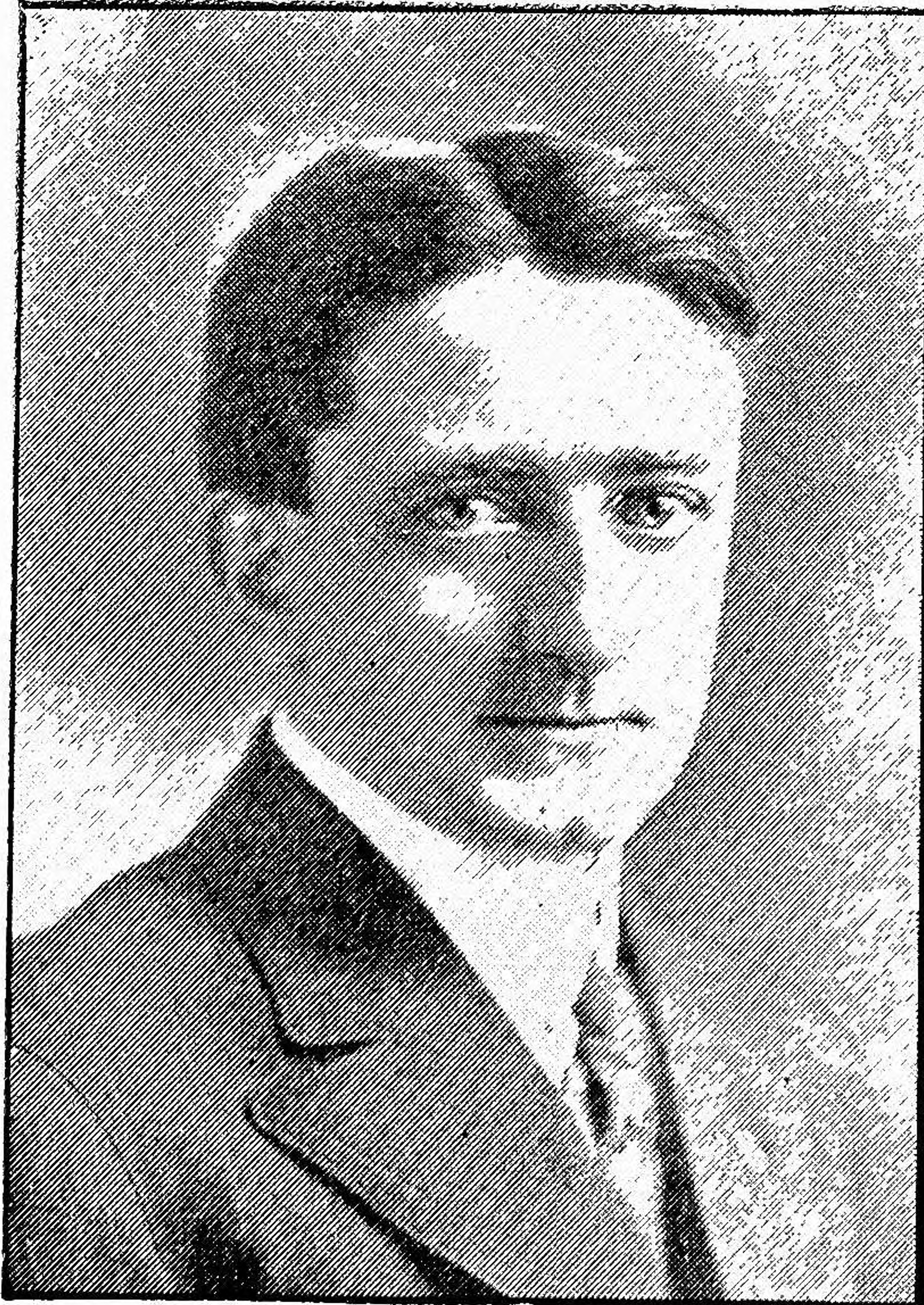
This department has come to be one of great importance as it places the children of our City in our personal charge particularly during the summer months. Much credit must be given the Park Commissioners for the many innovations introduced during the year. The Thursday club of our city have actively interested themselves in the matter of child welfare and have borne much of the expense of maintaining this department. The instructors in the playground department are people well versed in their duties and have spared no pains to educate the children along the lines of efficient recreation.

IN CONCLUSION

Now, gentlemen, let it be the aim of every member of this council to give to the people of our city one of the best administrations it has ever had.

HARTLEY C. BANKS.

March 19, 1917.



CITY CLERK THOMAS F. LOCKE

City Government, 1917

Mayor

HARTLEY C. BANKS

Aldermen

Chairman, Hartley C. Banks

Ward 1—Irving Milgate

Ward 2—Henry Greenwood

Ward 3—Samuel L. Wilson

Ward 4—Joseph Carrier

Ward 5—Clarence Goldthwait

Ward 6—Israel Bouthilette

Ward 7—Ricie E. Davis

City Clerk

THOMAS F. LOCKE

Common Councilmen

President, Edwin R. Small

Ward 1—Ira N. Davis	George L. Goldthwait
Frank P. Staples	
Ward 2—Ferdinand A. Letellier	Joseph W. Lepine
Michael J. Kearney	
Ward 3—Carl W. Richards	Philius Sayer
George F. Moulen	
Ward 4—James P. Allison	Oscar A. Cadarette
Walter C. Parker	
Ward 5—Peter Warren	Edwin R. Small
Almon H. Hill	
Ward 6—Edward F. Rivers	Harley G. Billings
Arthur Varville	
Ward 7—Ivory S. Ross	James O'Sullivan, Jr.
Rene Rouillard	

Wardens

Ward 1—Arthur A. Burleigh
Ward 2—Hilaire Bouthilette
Ward 3—Charles G. Belanger
Ward 4—Edward Paquin
Ward 5—Thomas H. Cavanaugh
Ward 6—John F. Lane
Ward 7—Walter F. Hampson

Ward Clerks

Ward 1—George W. Pollard

Ward 2—Oscar Nadeau

Ward 3—Leroy T. E. Emery

Ward 4—Wilfred G. Ross

Ward 5—Wilfrid Desmarais

Ward 6—Walter P. Malloy

Ward 7—Charles L. Murch

Ballot Clerks

Ward 1—Kelton E. Fowle, Orin J. Benson

Ward 2—Thomas J. Boland, Ulderique Cote

Ward 3—William Guy Parker, Edmond A Moisan

Ward 4—Noah Lauziere, Hector A. Dubois

Ward 5—William Breton, Elmer O. Davis

Ward 6—Alfred J. Lambert, James F. Descoteaux

Ward 7—Walter A. Holt, Frederick L. Chamberlin

Election Clerks

Ward 1—John R. Staples, Fred O. Finnard

Ward 2—George E. Cartier, Napoleon Menard

Ward 3—Napoleon King, Joseph Cormier

Ward 4—Joseph Cartier, Arthur J. Lesieur

Ward 5—Ira F. Wormwood, Alphonse E. Renouf

Ward 6—Joseph Bart, Paul E. Tartre

Ward 7—Edward J. Ryan, William J. Dorgan

Treasurer	James G. C. Smith
Collector of Taxes	James Beaumont
City Solicitor	William H. Stone
City Auditor	Edmond Bergeron
Judge of Municipal Court	George L. Emery
Recorder of Municipal Court	Fillmore P. Harris
Chief of Police	Thomas Stone
City Physician	George C. Precourt
Chief of Fire Department	Frank Cantara
First Assistant Engineer Fire Department	
.....	Fred L. Johnson
Second Assistant Engineer Fire Department	
.....	Jeremiah L. Twomey
Engineer City Building	Peter Murphy
Watchman City Building	Fred Valliere
Harbor Master	Clarence Goldthwait
Sealer Weights and Measures	Alfred R. C. Carrier

Board of Registration

Chairman, Robert B. Seidel

John B. E. Tartre

Charles T. Read

Assessors

Chairman, Benjamin L. Gordon

Henry P. Simard

Everett M. Staples

Chief Assessor

Benjamin L. Gordon

Assistant Assessors

Ward 1—Joseph H. Hussey

Ward 2—Joseph H. Desmaris

Ward 3—Hervey H. Nadeau

Ward 4—Arthur Boucher

Ward 5—Joseph C. Bolduc

Ward 6—Peter Wynne

Ward 7—Peter J. Gartland

Overseers of Poor

Municipal Officers

Clerk of Overseers of Poor

Oscar G. Parent

Superintendent of City Farm

Melville C. Googins

Board of Health

Elmer O. Davis

Alex Gagnon

Jeremiah Sullivan

Inspector of Buildings

Simeon Huot

Superintendent of Burials

William A. Rumery

Superintendent of Schools

I. Z. Allen

Board of Education

Chairman, Hartley C. Banks

Frank P. Cole	Benjamin L. Gordon	George W. Scott
	David E. Dolloff	

Truant Officer

Will Stone

Park Commissioners

F. C. Leining	David E. Dolloff	Maurice E. Golding
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Trustees Woodlawn Cemetery

The Mayor	Frank E. Nield	James P. Stevens
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Board of Police

Chairman, Mark Gordon

John McCourt	Napoleon Nadeau
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City Weighers

Herbert E. Haley	Rose F. Courtois
Alice L. Jeanson	Paul LaPointe
J. Hector Belaire	Ruth Girouard
Henry Poirier	S. A. Staples
J. P. Gendron	R. Bachelder
Daniel Dinan	J. E. Twomey
Louis O. Parenteau	Louis Fournier
Frank Pelletier	James Malloy
John Twomey	Mark Gordon
Edgar Small	

Measurers of Wood, Lumber and Bark

Ivory E. Davis	C. M. Cheney
Frank Precourt	Samuel Dube
Patrick Feeney	R. S. Roderique
Clyde Clough	Merrill Maddox
Joseph St. Ours	Walter Wilcox
Charles H. Tibbetts	W. W. Roberts
Howard Cousens	F. H. Deering
Alfred Sicard	Albert Mayo

Street Commissioners

District No. 4	Albert H. Day
Pool Road District	John Haley
Pool District	Wright Goldthwait
Newtown District	James Johnson
Oak Ridge District	Trueman E. Davis
Fortunes Rocks	Joseph W. Tarbox
Ward 7, North	John W. Lowell
Ward 7, West	Charles F. Nelson
Ward 7, East	J. Edwin Roberts
Hollis Road	Onesime Brunelle

Joint Standing Committees

Finance—The Mayor, Alderman Goldthwait, Councilmen Parker, O'Sullivan and Cadarette.

Accounts—Alderman Bouthiette, Councilmen Rivers and Sheltra.

Public Property—The Mayor, Alderman Carrier, Councilmen Varville, Allison and Billings.

Fire Department—The Mayor, Aldermen Milgate and Wilson, Councilmen Small, Ross and O'Sullivan.

Poor—Alderman Greenwood, Councilmen Warren and Goldthwait.

Printing—Alderman Wilson, Councilmen Letellier and Moulen.

Ordinances—The Mayor, Councilmen Richards and Staples.

Streets—The Mayor, Aldermen Davis and Goldthwait, Councilmen Rouillard, Davis and Allison.

Library—Alderman Bouthiette, Councilmen Staples, Kearney and President of Common Council Small.

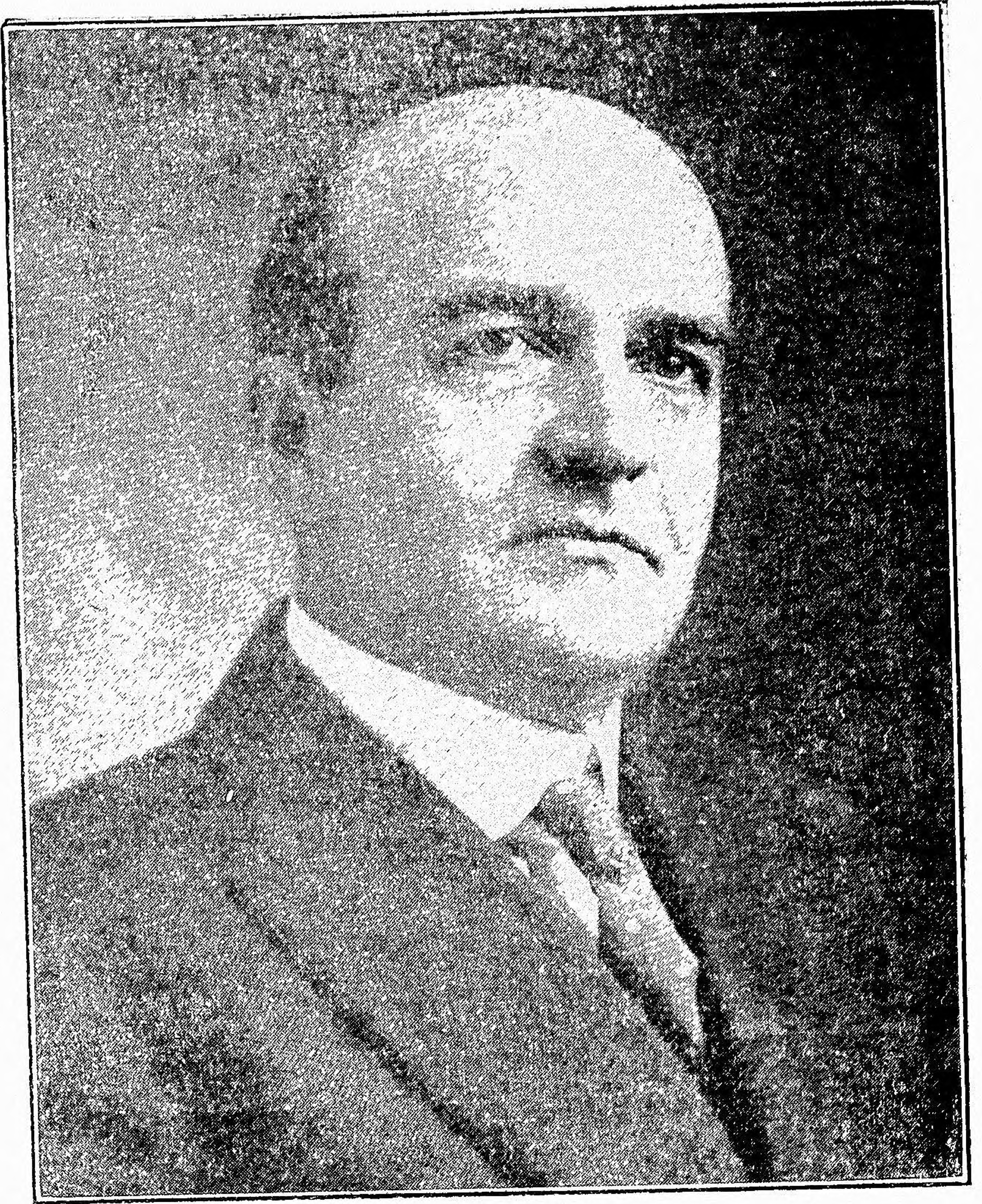
Standing Committees

Board of Aldermen

Election Returns—Aldermen Milgate and Greenwood.

Enrolled Bills—Aldermen Davis, Wilson and Goldthwait.

Licenses—Aldermen Bouthilette, Milgate and Carrier.



CITY TREASURER J. G. C. SMITH

City Treasurer's Report

To the Honorable, the Mayor and City Council of the City of
Biddeford:

Gentlemen:—I have the honor to submit the following report of the receipts and expenditures of the City during the fiscal year ending January 31, 1918.

Cash on hand January 31st, 1917	\$22,629 14
Received from all sources during the year	534,659 51
	<hr/> \$557,288 65
Total payments for the year	\$547,063 66
Cash on hand January 31st, 1918	10,224 99
	<hr/> \$557,288 65

The detailed statement of the above receipts and expenditures is as follows:

	Receipts	Expendi- tures
Abatement of Taxes		\$2,447 76
Bridges		2,042 62
City Building	\$6,759 92	7,878 36
Woodlawn Cemetery	250 00	631 96
City Library	220 00	2,438 76
City Parks		458 64

County Tax		9,771 21
Contingent Fund	639 42	8,730 60
Dog Licenses	282 18	259 00
Election Department		2,179 61
Fire Department	32 50	19,435 12
Free Text Books		1,173 42
General Expense	278 50	7,184 51
General Licenses	181 50	
Hydrant Rental		6,070 00
Health Department		1,086 48
Highways Dist. No. 4		17,159 54
Fortunes Rocks Dist.		1,429 10
Hollis Road Dist.		663 86
Newtown Dist.		907 61
Oak Ridge Dist.		720 39
Pool Road Dist.		1,493 25
Pool Dist.		637 11
Ward 7 North		462 59
Ward 7 East		482 33
Ward 7 West	50 00	785 26
Insane	85 57	451 74
Interest	1,460 45	17,072 70
New Sewer		13,040 21
Pauper Department	4,738 83	25,067 04
Police Department	2,592 00	14,162 87
Premium on Bonds, carried to interest account.		
Railroad and Telegraph Tax	931 48	
Resurfacing Streets		2,060 34
Salaries		7,798 37
School Fund and Mill Tax	18,961 69	
Common School Fund	16,961 69	
Schools	2,963 75	46,283 75

Schools, Superintendent's Salary .	800 00	2,566 72
Schools, Repairs, Supplies, Ins. . .		5,483 05
Sewer Bonds Paid		5,000 00
Street and Sidewalk Bonds Paid .		5,000 00
Sewers and Drains		4,025 45
Sidewalks		7,302 07
State Pensions	1,311 00	1,311 00
State Road	674 69	2,970 09
Street Lights		11,931 28
Street and Sidewalk Improvements	755 91	2,687 84
Tax Deeds	359 99	589 52
Temporary Loan	125,000 00	125,000 00
State Tax		55,535 36
Tax of 1911	16 53	
Tax of 1912	37 93	
Tax of 1913	25 00	
Tax of 1914	400 00	
Tax of 1915	700 00	
Tax of 1916	4,800 00	
Tax of 1917	250,800 00	
Tool House and Lot		2,404 67
Emery School	422 33	958 50
Manual Training	733 32	1,110 00
Domestic Science	433 33	722 00
Temporary Loan to take up Re-		
funding Bonds	45,000 00	45,000 00
Refunding Bonds	45,000 00	45,000 00
Cash on hand January 31st, 1917 .	22,629 14	
Cash on hand January 31st, 1918 .		10,224 99
	\$557,288 65	\$557,288 65

Liabilities

Refunding Bonds outstanding \$220,000 00

Sewer Bonds outstanding	80,000 00
Street and Sidewalk Bonds outstanding	85,000 00
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	\$385,000 00

Resources

Cash on hand January 31st, 1918	\$10,224 99
Tax of 1897	212 74
Tax of 1902	19 63
Tax of 1903	28 00
Tax of 1904	220 09
Tax of 1905	115 93
Tax of 1907	15 29
Tax of 1908	19 55
Tax of 1909	16 02
Tax of 1910	21 90
Tax of 1911	48
Tax of 1912	11 33
Tax of 1913	36 23
Tax of 1914	72 06
Tax of 1915	352 11
Tax of 1916	713 30
Tax of 1917	7,413 98
Balance Account	365,486 37
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	\$385,000 00
Balance Account January 31st, 1917	\$376,672 76
Balance Account January 31st, 1918	365,486 37
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Reduction of Net Debt ..	\$11,176 39

Outstanding Bonds of the City of Biddeford

Re-	Amount.	Time	Rate.
funding loan.			
July 1, 1917 ..	\$45,000 00	20 years	4 per cent
May 1, 1900 ..	25,000 00	20 years	4 per cent
July 1, 1901 ..	25,000 00	20 years	3½ per cent
May 1, 1905 ..	50,000 00	20 years	3½ per cent
May 15, 1914 ..	50,000 00	20 years	4 per cent
May 1, 1915 ..	25,000 00	20 years	4 per cent
Sewer Loan:			
July 1, 1913 ..	30,000 00	1917-23	4 per cent
	\$5,000 due yearly		
May 15, 1914 ..	25,000 00	1924-28	4 per cent
	\$5,000 due yearly		
July 1, 1916 ..	25,000 00	1928-33	4 per cent
	\$5,000 due yearly		
Street and Sidewalk Improvement Loan:			
Aug. 1, 1914 ..	10,000 00	1918-19	4 per cent
	\$5,000 due yearly		
May 1, 1915 ..	50,000 00	1920-29	4 per cent
	\$5,000 due yearly		
May 1, 1916 ..	25,000 00	1929-34	4 per cent
	\$5,000 due yearly		

TRUST FUNDS

Elizabeth Cole Fund

For the perpetual care of lot No. 319 Woodlawn Cemetery.

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$209 85
Oct. 1st, 1917, Dividends 99-100	8 46
	\$218 31

Oct. 31st, paid to W. A. Rumery	4 00
Balance	<u>\$214 31</u>

Hannah Smith Fund

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$117 67
Oct. 1st, 1917, Dividends 99-100	4 74
	<u>\$122 41</u>
Oct. 31st, 1917, paid W. A. Rumery	5 00
Balance	<u>\$117 41</u>

Jack Fund

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$193 23
Oct. 1st, 1917, Dividends 99-100	7 80
	<u>\$201 03</u>
Oct. 31st, 1917, paid W. A. Rumery	4 00
Balance	<u>\$197 03</u>

Mary A. Farwell Ellis Fund

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$104 16
Oct. 1st, 1917, Dividends 99-100	4 20
Balance	<u>\$108 36</u>

Benjamin A. Kenison Fund

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$172 84
Oct. 1st, 1917, Dividends 99-100	6 96
	<u>\$179 80</u>

Oct. 1st, 1917, paid W. A. Rumery	5 00
Balance	<u>\$174 80</u>

Cleaves Fund

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$1,761 89
Oct. 1st, 1917 Dividends	28 54
Balance	<u>\$1,790 43</u>

Emeline Burnham Fund

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$204 28
Dividends 99-100	8 24
	<u>\$212 52</u>
Oct. 31st, 1917, paid W. A. Rumery	5 00
Balance	<u>\$207 52</u>

Sarah J. Curtis Fund

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$132 54
Dividends 99-100	5 34
	<u>\$137 88</u>
Oct. 31, 1917, paid W. A. Rumery	4 00
Balance	<u>\$133 88</u>

Horace B. Clark Fund

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$79 04
Dividends 99-100	3 18
	<u>\$82 22</u>

Oct. 31st, 1917, paid W. A. Rumery	3 00
Balance	<u>\$79 22</u>

Mary W. Smith Fund

February 1st, 1917, Balance	\$534 28
Dividends 99-100	21 56
	<u>\$555 84</u>
Oct. 31st, 1917, paid W. A. Rumery	10 00
Balance	<u>\$545 84</u>

Jane F. Webster Fund

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$163 28
Dividends 99-100	6 58
	<u>\$169 86</u>
Oct. 31st, 1917, paid W. A. Rumery	4 00
Balance	<u>\$165 86</u>

Thomas D. Suhr Fund

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$104 04
Dividends 99-100	4 20
Balance	<u>\$108 20</u>

Ministerial Fund

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$505 78
Dividends 99-100	20 40
Balance	<u>\$526 18</u>

Jennie M. Johnson Fund

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$102 69
Dividends 99-100	4 12
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	\$106 81
Oct. 31st, 1917, paid W. A. Rumery	4 00
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Balance	\$102 81

Charles Beaumont Fund

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$101 53
Dividends	2 02
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	\$103 55
Oct. 31st, 1917, paid W. A. Rumery	4 00
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Balance	99 55

William Mason Fund

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$104 12
Dividends 99-100	4 20
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	\$108 32
Oct. 31st, 1917, paid W. A. Rumery	3 00
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Balance	\$104 32

Hannibal D. Taylor Fund

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$52 04
Dividends	2 04
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	\$54 08

Oct. 31st 1917, paid W. A. Rumery	3 00
Balance	\$51 08

Annie M. Dustin Fund

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$50 00
Dividends 99-100	1 02
Balance	\$51 02

William M. T. Flanders Fund

Feb. 1st, 1917, Balance	\$100 00
Dividends	4 33
	\$104 33
Oct. 31st, 1917, paid W. A. Rumery	2 00
Balance	\$102 33

Joseph E. Brooks Fund

May 25, 1917, Balance	\$100 00
Dividends	83
Balance	\$100 83

Jeremiah Bunker Fund

April 12, 1917, Balance	\$500 00
Dividends	9 35
Balance	\$509 35

Betsy Murray Fund

Feb. 20th 1917, Balance	\$296 00
Legal Fees	50 00
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	\$246 00
Dividends	5 74
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Balance	\$251 74

Mary McWhirter Fund

Jan. 27th, 1917, Balance	\$100 00
Dividends	1 00
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Balance	\$101 00

Mary Joy Fund

Jan. 28th, 1918, Balance	\$100 00
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Respectfully submitted,

JAMES G. C. SMITH,

City Treasurer.



AUDITOR EDMOND BERGERON

General Expense, 1917

For Month of February 1917

The American City, 12 months' subscription ...	\$3 00
H. G. Hutchinson, paper	2 80
Oliver Typewriter Co., main spring and postage	15
Edmond Bergeron, making out seven ward books containing list of personal property for each ward	105 00
Rev. A. A. Hamel, reporting 23 marriages	5 75
Rev. T. P. Linehan, reporting 24 marriages	6 00
Rev. A. Rene, reporting 21 marriages	5 25
Rev. M. G. Pomerleau, reporting 21 marriages ..	5 25
Rev. Aime Giguere, reporting 17 marriages	4 25
Rev. Louis Bergeron, reporting 18 marriages ..	4 50
Rev. W. Stanley Post, reporting 10 marriages ..	2 50
Rev. W. Y. Morrison, reporting 10 marriages ..	2 50
Rev. Edward Brewster, reporting 9 marriages..	2 25
Rev. Fred C. Leining, reporting 6 marriages ...	1 50
Rev. T. J. Mahoney, reporting 6 marriages	1 50
Edwin Williams, reporting 3 marriages	75
Dr. J. R. Larochele, reporting 159 births, 56 deaths	53 75
Dr. L. A. Girard, reporting 101 births, 16 deaths	29 25
Dr. Geo. C. Precourt, reporting 56 births, 33 deaths	22 25

Dr. A. C. Maynard, reporting 54 births, 18 deaths	18 00
Dr. David E. Dolloff, reporting 21 births, 20 deaths	10 25
Dr. E. D. O'Neill, reporting 25 births, 15 deaths	10 00
Dr. Willis Hurd, reporting 17 births and deaths	4 25
Dr. M. H. Ferguson, reporting 14 deaths, 3 births	4 25
Dr. J. F. Trull, reporting 16 births and deaths..	4 00
Dr. C. F. Kendall, reporting 9 births, 5 deaths..	3 50
Dr. Robert L. Maybury, reporting 8 births, 5 deaths	3 25
Dr. D. F. Racicot, reporting 11 births, 2 deaths ..	3 25
Dr. Charles F. Traynor, reporting 13 deaths ...	3 25
Dr. Paul S. Hill, reporting 4 births, 8 deaths ...	3 00
Dr. Henry Reny, reporting 3 births, 7 deaths ...	2 50
Dr. C. J. Emery, reporting 4 births, 5 deaths ..	2 25
Dr. J. D. Cochran, reporting 5 births, 4 deaths ..	2 25
Dr. O. J. D'Aoust, reporting 3 births, 5 deaths ..	2 00
Dr. J. M. O'Connor, reporting 2 births, 5 deaths ..	1 75
J. F. Emond, reporting 5 deaths	1 25
H. G. Hutchinson, Berkshire paper for City Clerk and Registration Board	12 90
Daniel T. Hickey, killing 3 dogs	6 00
W. H. Watson, printing 500 letter heads, 1,000 slips	5 00
New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, tolls	3 72
William W. Roberts Co., 1 Denghisch Well	1 75
American Express Co., package to Augusta ...	26
Antoine Credit, building property room for 7th Co., C. A. C.,	26 03
Banks Bros., lumber for 7th Co., C. A. C.	17 86
George Eom, auto hire 2 hours	4 00

H. K. Lord, team hire	1 00
A. Bonneau, printing Auditor's notice	1 25
F. L. Hammond, auto hire	5 00
Arthur Eon, auto hire	2 50
York County Power Co., electricity	27 95
Oliver Typewriter Co., four rubber feet No 7 Oliver	25
J. G. C. Smith, expenses in Boston on temporary loans, \$18.75; postage \$1.28	20 03
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	\$472 70

For Month of March

James J. Neilon, stamps	\$4 00
Societe St. Jean Baptiste, rent of Light Infantry hall	200 00
George Eon, auto hire	6 00
Lytton E. Staples, fire insurance	72 60
Arthur Eon, auto hire	1 50
Thos. F. Locke, recording 515 births, 277 deaths, 195 marriages at 15c	148 05
Thos. F. Locke, reporting 16 marriages at 25c ..	4 00
Biddeford and Saco Water Co., use of water ..	20 12
York County Power Co., electricity, electric sign	12 50
New England Telephone and Telegraph Co., tolls	2 55
Kee Lox Manufacturing Co., 1 Blk. Rec. Oliver No. 7 K. L. Ribbon Med Ink	1 00
American Express Co., package from Worcester	30
W. F. Mahaney, packings for valve, 10c; labor on closet, 50c	60
J. E. Brooks, P. M., 250 stamped envelopes	5 53
Joseph R. Paquin, services securing affidavits relative to applicants for Blind Pensions ..	5 00

Joseph Neault, repairing Mr. Roberge's sleigh ..	13 50
Ruth E. Gilpatric, typewriting for City Treas. ...	2 50
H. G. Hutchinson, 6 reams of paper, "Glenwood Bond" 8½x11	7 20
W. H. Watson, printing 500 postals	1 50
W. H. Watson, printing 500 envelopes	1 50
W. H. Watson, printing 500 circs. (Tax Col.) ..	2 50
The Biddeford Record, printing 1 m warrants ..	4 75
Harvard Envelope Co., 250 envelopes	4 50
W. A. Greenough & Co., Biddeford and Saco Directory, 1916	3 50
T. L. Evans & Co., pencils, glasses, envelopes, etc.	3 08
York County Power Co., electricity, Light In- fantry hall	20 24
P. J. Farley, trucking	25
Wallace Stuart, posting Assessors' Notices	3 00
Rev. Lester C. Holmes, services at inauguration	5 00
Townsend Bros., shaft in snow plow and general repairs	4 85
Audubon Supply Co., 100 sheets carbon	3 50
Joseph E. Brooks, P. M., 500 stamped envelopes	10 80
W. I. Dennett, burial of soldier	35 00
W. I. Dennett, burial of soldier	35 00
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	\$645.92

For Month of April

Daniel T. Hickey, killing 2 dogs	\$4 00
Strout's, 2 bouquets	4 00
New England Telephone and Telegraph Co., tolls	2 05
American Express Co., package to Augusta ...	26
Biddeford and Saco Water Co., use of water, Sullivan street building	16 00

York County Power Co., electricity, Light Infantry hall	15 54
Alfred Bonneau, publishing Assessors' notice ..	7 50
Joseph H. Desmarais, assistant assessor, Ward 2	35 00
Edmond Bergeron, making out dog book	25 00
Antoine Credit, building room and lockers for the 7th Co., Me. C. A. N. G.	63 69
W. H. Watson, printing 250 circulars, Tax Collector	2 00
W. H. Watson, printing Poll Tax posters	2 00
W. H. Watson, printing Personal Property posters	2 00
W. H. Watson, printing 6,000 Poll Tax bill heads	25 00
W. W. Roberts Co., 1 Record of Marriages, No. 2364	16 50
McKenney & Heard, locks, nails, etc., for 7th Co., Me. C. A. N. G.	9 59
George S. Clapp, overhauling Oliver Typewriter, \$4.50; one ribbon, \$1.00	5 50
Wiggin & Palmer, use of team, \$2.50; use of saddle, \$1.00	3 50
Loring, Short & Harmon, 4 1-6 doz. blanks for Assessors	2 09
Daniel T. Hickey, killing 1 dog	2 00
Mahoney's Pharmacy, soap	65
Arthur Boucher, assistant assessor, Ward 4 ...	35 00
Herve Nadeau, assistant assessor, Ward 3	35 00
Frederick Chamberlain, interpreter, Ward 7 ..	10 00
Peter J. Gartland, assistant assessor, Ward 7 ..	60 00
Emile Varville, interpreter, Ward 6	10 00
John Wynne, assistant assessor, Ward 6	35 00
Joseph C. Boldue, assistant assessor, Ward 5 ..	35 00
Joseph H. Hussey, assistant assessor, Ward 1 .	40 00

Charles T. Read, Treas. Flag Day committee, 1 flag hung in City Square April 12, 1917, pursuant to an order of the City Council ..	35 00
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	\$538 87

For Month of May

N. W. Kendall, Poll Tax book, Collector's book, Valuation book, Record books, Ward books, etc.	\$104 50
Biddeford Record, printing 1 M. letter heads (815)	4 75
Biddeford Record, printing 500 Municipal Or- ders, Aldermen; printing 500 Council, No. 787	11 50
Biddeford Record, printing 100 notices 10x14, No. 810	5 00
Biddeford Record, printing Assessors' notice, 10 in., 18 ins. to April 10 inclusive	27 00
Biddeford Record, printing notice of Building Inspector, 4 in., 1 week	4 80
Biddeford Record, printing 1 M. notices, Build- ing Inspector (816)	6 75
Biddeford Record, printing 200 letters and 200 inserts for Board of Registration (832)	5 75
Biddeford Record, printing notice delinquent polls, 1916, 4 in., 1 week	4 80
Petrin's auto, auto hire	42 00
C. G. Scamman, Collector's Cash Book, 3 doz. flags, etc.	29 08
Arthur Eon, auto hire	20 00
Townsend Bros., repairing road scraper, \$15.00; repairs on sprinklers, \$5.00	20 00

Biddeford and Saco Water Co., repairing stand-pipes on Highland and Hill streets	17 42
Townsend Bros., painting sleds and cart, \$10.00; repairing cart, \$5.00; bolts in roller, 50c ..	15 50
Edmond Bergeron, making and verifying Assessors' Valuation Book and Collector's Commitment Book on Polls	100 00
Joseph E. Brooks, P. M., 7,000 envelopes	151 20
Joseph E. Brooks, P. M., 1,000 envelopes, not printed	21 32
Wallace Stuart, labor	21 00
James G. C. Smith, expense in Boston, April 3 and 4, on temporary loan	14 50
James G. C. Smith, expense in Boston on Notes and Bond issue	15 75
James G. C. Smith, postage, etc.,	2 75
Banks Bros., lumber used for 7th Co., Me. C. A. C. N. G.	86 96
J. L. Hammet Co., flag, \$4.93 and 5 flag poles, \$40.00	44 93
York County Power Co., electric sign	25 00
York County Power Co., electricity, Light Infantry hall	24 61
The Rand Co., 1 special check sorter	11 00
Ira Hooper, use of auto in securing a quorum for City Council meeting	10 00
A. Bonneau, publishing Building Inspector's notice 4 weeks	4 00
T. L. Evans & Co., pencils, envelopes, etc.	3 59
H. G. Hutchinson, rent of Oliver No. 5, 1 month	2 50
George E. Moses, posting Poll Tax notices	2 00
Burroughs Adding Machine Co., paper	99
American Express Co., package to Augusta, 26c; package from Philadelphia, 56c	82

New England Telephone and Telegraph Co., tolls	75
Joseph E. Brooks, P. M., 500 stamped envelopes	10 80
Col. L. H. Kendall camp, U. S. W. V., for observance of Memorial day	100 00
Sheridan Post, G. A. R., for observance of Memorial day	100 00
U. S. Grant Post, G. A. R., for observance of Memorial day	100 00
Porteous, Mitchell & Braun Co., 162 doz flags ..	153 90
N. W. Kendall, books for Board of Registration, etc.	35 30
Biddeford Journal, printing notices	27 00
Biddeford Journal, printing notices	5 32
Biddeford Journal, printing notices	4 50
Townsend Bros., repairs on road machine and sprinklers	20 75
R. S. Wildes, 2 spruce trees for flag poles on schools, \$4.00; trucking \$3.00	7 00
Peter Pepin, 5 days' sprinkling streets	27 50
Biddeford Record, printing 200 Manuals City Government, No. 836	52 90
Biddeford Record, adv. 4 in., 6 ins., Sealer Weights and Measures	4 80
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	\$1,512 29

For Month of June

Edmond Bergeron, making 7 Ward books for Board of Assessors	\$35 00
Edmond Bergeron, extra services verifying returns of polls and personal property made by Assistant Assessors, also making blotter containing a complete list of polls and personal property	90 00

Clarence Goldthwait, services with auto, trip to Hill's Beach, Biddeford Pool and Fortune's Rocks	8 00
George Eon, auto hired by Chief Assessor	8 00
George Eon, auto hire	1 00
Societe St. Jean Baptiste, rent of Light Infantry hall	200 00
Milliken & Snow, work at Armory	28 19
American Express Co., package	48
Peter Pepin, 6 days' sprinkling streets	33 00
Joseph Verrier, on account public landing	50 00
James G. C. Smith, expenses to Boston on Bond Issue, June 18 and 19	16 75
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	\$470 42

For Month of July.

Mavoshen Lodge, K. P., use of hall by High School Alumni Assn., 9 days	\$9 00
York County Power Co., electricity, Light Infantry hall	19 70
York County Power Co., electricity, electric sign	12 50
Blackbird Pen Co., 6 gro. pens	9 00
Tower Bros.	8 60
Alexander Petrin, use of auto posting notices, \$3.00 (Registration); use of auto Registration day, June 5, \$5.00	8 00
Townsend Bros., repairs on road machine, \$2.00; 2 whiffletrees, \$3.00	5 00
Biddeford Record, printing 6 cards, 3 French, 3 English, No. 841	4 00
H. G. Hutchinson, rent of Oliver No. 5, month of May	2 50

John Petrin, auto hire	1 50
Arthur Eon, use of auto, Pool road State Highway bridge	1 00
W. H. Watson, printing 500 duplicate Tax Receipts, \$2.50; 500 letter heads, Treasurer, \$2.50; 500 circulars, Tax Collector, \$2.50; 300 circulars, Tax Collector, \$2.00; 2,500 Tax Bills (Personal Property), \$10.50; 300 postals, \$1.50	21 75
Edmond Bergeron, on acct. Valuation book ...	150 00
Keystone Envelope Co., expanding files, envelopes	27 00
Joseph E. Brooks, P. M., 500 post cards, to be used in issuing notices for meetings	5 00
New England Telephone and Telegraph Co., tolls	2 79
Richard O'Brien, ringing bell July 4th, St. Mary's church, 1 assistant	5 00
Paul Lacourse, ringing bell at St. Joseph's church, 2 assistants, July 4th	7 50
Frank Cantara, ringing bell July 4th	2 50
Fred L. Johnson, ringing bell July 4th	2 50
Jere Twomey, ringing bell July 4th	2 50
Henry Fortin, killing 106 dogs	212 00
H. G. Hutchinson, rent of Oliver No. 5, Treasurer's office	2 50
James G. C. Smith, expense in Boston on Bond matter, June 28 and 29	18 75
James G. C. Smith, expense in Boston on Temporary Loan, July 10	8 75
York County Power Co., electricity, Light Infantry hall	16 47
York County Power Co., electricity, electric sign	12 50

William H. Stone, May 31, paid J. K. Boardman, Dep. Sheriff, Kittery, for service of notice to quit on Mr. Lewis, \$1.24; June 15, paid Reg. of Deeds for abstract of title of land between Graham and Alfred streets, bought by City from heirs of Harriet F. Haines for stone crushing purposes, \$6.50; July 12, paid Reg. of Deeds for recording deed, 95c; recording plan, \$1.50	10 19
George Guimond, rental of typewriter 17 weeks	8 50
Thos. Sullivan, ringing bell July 4th	1 50
Reny Bros., Rubber Stamp "Bearer"	25
Arthur Eon, auto hire, 2 trips to Pool by (Locke)	5 00
Peter Pepin, sprinkling 6 days	33 00
Biddeford Record, printing 54,000 warrants for Departments	405 00
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	\$1,041.75

For Month of August

Peter Pepin, 7 days' sprinkling	\$38 50
Burroughs Adding Machine Co., Bal. due on Machine No. 285257	175 00
Biddeford Record, printing 500 City Reports, 50 cloth, 124 p. @ \$2.70 per p., \$334.80; 2 cuts for above, \$6.00	340 80
Societe St. Jean Baptiste, rent of Light Infantry hall	200 00
Daniel T. Hickey, killing 44 dogs	88 00
Ira Hooper, use of team by dog officer, 8 days ..	18 00
Alex Petrin, auto hire 1/2 day on acc't services issuing notices for special meeting of City	

Council, July 30, 1917	12 50
Alex Petrin, auto hire $\frac{3}{4}$ hour	1 50
W. H. Watson, printing 1,000 Tax Warrants (both sides)	8 50
W. H. Watson, printing 1,000 summonses	5 50
Townsend Bros., new tire on road machine, cover on sprinkler, seat and new bolts No. 2, and repairs	10 50
H. G. Hutchinson, rent of Oliver No. 5, 1 month, Treasurer's office	2 50
George Eon, auto hire, Highway Dept., by Mayor Banks	1 00
Biddeford and Saco Water Co., use of water for laying sidewalk on Alfred street	40
American Express Co., package to Augusta ...	26
New England Telephone and Telegraph Co., tolls	6 18
Peter Pepin, 6 days' sprinkling	33 00
George B. Graff Co., 25 Steel-tye envelopes	3 25
Herbert Marr, 1 gro. pencils	3 25
Daniel T. Hickey, killing 2 dogs	4 00
James G. C. Smith, expenses in Boston, attend- ing Bond Sale Aug. 1 and 2	12 75
H. G. Hutchinson, one Typewriter ribbon, \$1.00; (delivered to R. Seidel) one Typewriter rib- bon, \$1.00; (delivered to E. Smith)	2 00
Peter Pepin, 6 days' sprinkling	33 00
H. G. Hutchinson, one Ajax Machine	5 85
H. G. Hutchinson, one box Ajax fasteners	1 00
H. G. Hutchinson, one Typewriter ribbon. (Treasurer's office)	1 00
Reny Bros., rubber stamp	35
Peter Pepin, $6\frac{1}{2}$ days' sprinkling	35 75
T. L. Evans & Co., sponge, 10c; sponge holder, 10c; rubber bands, 60c; box clips, 15c	95

Fred L. Emmons, use of car on inspection by State Assessors	6 00
Edmond Bergeron, Bal. due for making out Valuation book	50 00
Edmond Bergeron, extra work on acc't change of tax rate	50 00
Edmond Bergeron, making out Commitment book	65 00
B. L. Gordon, purchase price of official Automo- bile Registration, of Kennebec Journal ...	5 00
Traffic Sign, 1 "S. P." Traffic Signal, \$6.00; 1 lantern, 85c	6 85
Daniel S. Hamilton, use of auto, posting notices at Pool	5 00
Daniel T. Hickey, killing 4 dogs	8 00
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	\$1,241 14

For Month of September

York County Power Co., electricity for electric sign	\$12 50
Wm. W. Roberts Co., 1 Cash book, 2379	21 00
American Express Co., package to Augusta	26
American Express Co., box and crate from Gloucester	55
American Express Co., package to Boston	26
Joshua L. Chick, 2 copies of Maine State Year Book	5 00
Daniel T. Hickey, killing 3 dogs	6 00
York County Power Co., electricity for 2 months, (bridge)	30 00
New England Telephone and Telegraph Co., tolls	3 28
H. G. Hutchinson, rent of Typewriter, 1 month	2 50

York County Power Co., electricity for electric sign	12 50
H. G. Hutchinson, 6 reams paper, 8x13	7 80
T. J. Mahoney, 1 day securing information on applicants for Blind Pensions	3 00
George E. Moses, posting Tax Notices	2 00
American Express Co., 2 packages to N. Y.	1 22
J. E. Brooks, P. M., 750 stamped envelopes	16 19
Jos. Verrier, bal. of salary taking care Public Landing	50 00
Mrs. W. A. Cosgrove, burial of a soldier	35 00
W. H. Watson, printing 1,000 Tax Bills	6 50
Townsend Bros., repairs on road machine	6 25
Timothy J. Mahoney, 1 day on City Reports by order of Auditor Bergeron	3 00
Daniel T. Hickey, killing 1 dog	2 00
Underwood Typewriter Co., part 1-0-740	15
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	\$226 96

For Month of October

A. Bonneau, ¼ col. ad., Tax Dept. (4 weeks) ..	\$5 00
Audubon Supply Co., 3 black Record Ribbons ..	2 25
Peter Pepin, 1 day sprinkling	5 50
Rosaire Letellier, auto hire securing information relative to blind pensions, \$8.75; auto hire by Mayor, 50c	9 25
Thomas F. Locke, expenses to Augusta on claims; car fare Biddeford to Augusta, \$1.93; carriage at Augusta to State House, 25c; State House to station, 25c; meals, 75c; car fare Augusta to Biddeford, \$1.93	5 11

H. G. Hutchinson, one month's rent Oliver No. 5, Treasurer's office	2 50
H. G. Hutchinson, 4 U. S. Daters	1 60
John Petrin, auto hire	1 00
Banks Bros.	28
Biddeford Record, printing 25 cards, ordinance clam flats	4 25
Biddeford Record, printing 200 postals, election Department	4 75
Biddeford Record, adv. Taxes, 5 in., 1 mo.	18 75
E. J. Burnham, copy of deed Cutts et als, Biddeford, First National Bank of Boston, preparing and verifying \$45,000 4½ per cent Refunding bonds and opinion on validity of \$45,000 notes issued to refund bonds due 7-1-1917, \$145.00; to certifying Tax notes for year 1917, \$50.00	195 00
N. W. Kendall, pencils, ink, books, etc.	12 98
Daniel T. Hickey, killing 2 dogs	4 00
Biddeford and Saco Water Co., to 45' 3" earth service, 1"	15 87
Biddeford and Saco Water Co., 2 cocks, box and cover, T and plug (427 Elm street) ...	5 00
York County Power Co., electricity, Light Infantry hall	7 68
York County Power Co., electricity, electric sign, Elm street	12 50
William H. Stone, use of auto to and from Alfred, in making examination of title to Poor Farm	6 00
Thomas F. Locke, expenses to Augusta and return in relation to Dependent Soldier Law; car fare Biddeford to Augusta, \$1.93; meals 75c-50c; car fare Augusta to Biddeford, \$1.93; carriage at Augusta, 25c	5 36

H. G. Hutchinson, 5 M. staples	4 00
New England Telephone and Telegraph Co., tolls	1 45
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	\$330 60

For Month of November

Biddeford Record, adv., 4 in., 1 week	\$4 80
Daniel T. Hickey, killing 1 dog	2 00
York County Power Co., electricity for electric sign, Elm street	12 50
W. H. Watson, printing 500 statements, Tax Col.	3 00
W. H. Watson, printing 500 letter heads on linen paper	3 50
George Eon, auto hire by Mayor, inspecting lights	3 00
Daniel T. Hickey, killing 2 dogs, \$4.00; 1 hour labor, 30c	4 30
T. L. Evans & Co., paper, blotters and ink	2 70
A. Bonneau, 4 in. notice, 2 weeks	2 15
New England Telephone and Telegraph Co., tolls	1 40
American Express Co., package from Salem ..	28
American Express Co., package to Salem	28
American Express Co., package from Salem ...	30
American Express Co., package to Salem	28
American Express Co., package to Augusta ..	26
W. I. Dennett, burial of 3 soldiers	105 00
Thomas F. Locke, cash paid auto to Pool on State road, \$6.00; cash paid for 200 1c stamps, \$2.00	8 00
Standard Carbon and Ribbon Co., Black Records	3 75
A. P. Petrin, auto hire	2 00
Daniel T. Hickey, killing 2 dogs	4 00

Biddeford Journal, adv., Dependents of Soldiers, 4 in., 1 week	6 00
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\$171 50

For Month of December

Societe St. Jean Baptiste, rent Light Infantry hall	\$200 00
Biddeford Journal, adv. Taxes, 5 in., 1 month ..	18 75
Biddeford Record, printing 500 wide B. H. salaries	4 75
E. H. Morgan, rubber bands	85
American Express Co., package to Augusta ..	28
Townsend Bros., 6 irons for St. House	1 50
Townsend Bros., repairing snow plow	5 00
Townsend Bros., repairing snow plow	2 50
N. W. Kendall, 1 Journal, record books, tax abatment book, etc.	17 35
Ricie E. Davis, expenses to Augusta to attend hearing on milk inspection, car fare and dinner	5 25
O. G. Parent, car fare to Augusta and return, Nov. 19, 1917, taking voting lists to hearing on Referendum petitions, \$4.33; carriage at Augusta, 25c	4 58
New England Telephone and Telegraph Co., tolls	95
William L. Davison, binding straps	1 75
J. E. Brooks, P. M., 500 3c stamped envelopes, City Treasurer	15 80
York County Power Co., electricity for electric sign, \$12.50; 6 lamps, \$1.20	13 70
H. G. Hutchinson, 1 month's rent, 2 Oliver Ma- chines	5 00

American Express Co., box to Augusta, 87c;	
package to Augusta, 26c	1 13
Reny Bros., rubber stamp	75
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	\$299 89

For Month of January

The Biddeford Record, advertising taxes	\$6 00
Townsend Bros., repairing snow plow	2 00
Thomas F. Locke, 150 3c stamps paid in cash ..	4 50
York County Power Co., electricity, Light In-	
fantry hall	4 16
Kee Lox Mfg. Co., 1 box 8x13 Carbon	3 25
H. G. Hutchinson, 2 reams 8x10½ No. 79 Berk-	
shire	2 50
Alex Petrin, auto hire Aug. and Sept., with	
State Road Inspector	6 00
F. P. Bridges, 1 gross pens	1 50
The Biddeford Record, publishing Unpaid Non	
Res. Taxes	30 00
The Biddeford Record, printing 500 notices,	
Sidewalk Ordinance	3 75
The Biddeford Record, printing 50 sheets Resi-	
dent Taxes Unpaid, No. 970	20 00
The Biddeford Record, printing 50 slips Non	
Resident Taxes, No. 969, from Adv.	1 50
York County Power Co., electricity, Light In-	
fantry hall	2 31
York County Power Co., electricity, electric	
sign	12 50
George Guimond, 25 weeks' rental of typewriter	12 50
W. H. Watson, printing 2,000 blanks	11 50
Banks Bros., lumber for snow plow, Newtown	
District	10 05

Biddeford and Saco Water Co., use of water	
Sullivan street building	8 00
The Old Corner Book Store, 2 boxes envelopes,	
90c; (\$2.65)	3 55
New England Telephone and Telegraph Co., tolls	1 60
T. L. Evans & Co., 12 pen holders, 60c; 2 boxes	
seals, 20c; twine, 40c	1 20
Reny Bros., rubber stamp	75
J. E. Brooks, P. M., 1,000 stamped envelopes ..	32 08
E. W. Burbank, team hire, Assessors' Dept. ...	2 50
J. W. Randall, fire insurance	44 84
Biddeford Journal, publishing Auditor's notice	8 00
Biddeford Journal, adv. Taxes	7 50
Emile D'Anjou, 5 hens killed by dogs	5 00
Saco Mfg. Co., 1 pump, \$6.15; 1 ball for flag	
pole, 25c	6 40
A. Bonneau, publishing notice	2 55
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	\$257 99

Expenditures for Months

Expenditures for month of February, 1917 ..	\$472 70
Expenditures for month of March, 1917	645 92
Expenditures for month of April, 1917	538 87
Expenditures for month of May, 1917	1,512 29
Expenditures for month of June, 1917	470 42
Expenditures for month of July, 1917	1,041 75
Expenditures for month of August, 1917	1,241 14
Expenditures for month of September, 1917 ..	226 96
Expenditures for month of October, 1917	330 60
Expenditures for month of November, 1917 ..	171 50

Expenditures for month of December, 1917 ..	299 89
Expenditures for month of January, 1918 ...	257 99
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	\$7,210 03

Respectfully submitted,

EDMOND BERGERON,

City Auditor.



FIRE CHIEF FRANK CANTARA

Report of Chief Engineer

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the
City of Biddeford:

Gentlemen:—I hereby submit my report as Chief of the
Fire Department for the year ending Jan. 31, 1918.

The report will be found to contain statements in detail embracing the amount of expenditures, a register of the department numbers, a record of all fires and alarms which have occurred in the past year and the cause thereof, with the names of the property owners concerned therewith, and the condition of all horses, apparatus, and the buildings belonging to the fire department, the locality of fire alarm boxes and hydrants, and other matters pertaining to the department, with such information and recommendation as is thought proper for your consideration.

The subjoined is a copy of the register of the members of the fire department:

Chief Engineer—Frank Cantara.

First Assistant Engineer—Fred L. Johnson.

Second Assistant Engineer—Jeremiah L. Twomey.

Richard Vines Co., S. F. E., No. 1

Driver, Joseph Archambeault

Captain—T. J. Mullally.

Lieutenant—Samuel Leavitt.

Clerk—O. G. Velandry.

Engineer—John B. Pare.

Fireman—John R. Bonser.

Hose and Pipemen

E. J. Kelliher

George L. Smith

Edward Pare

Granville Smith

John F. Garside

Emile Caouette

Arthur Bergeron

Adelard Collard

Isaac Gauthier

John B. Petit

Eben Simpson Co., No. 2

Driver, Harry McKenzie

Captain—Richard J. O'Brien.

Lieutenant—Daniel Averill.

Clerk—George H. Hayes.

Engineer—E. S. Gowen.

Fireman—Robert H. Bryant.

Hose and Pipemen

Joseph Hevey

Warren Fuller

A. Moran

A. Mitchell

A. P. Dennis

George A. Johnson

Jerome Smith

Fred Chasse

W. Harriman

William Romeo

Hook and Ladder Co., No. 1

Driver, John Dunn
 Captain—Charles A. Johnson.
 Lieutenant—Joseph Boucher.
 Clerk—John Lane.

Ladder and Axemen

Timothy Daly	James E. Gowen
P. J. Farley	Joseph Verrier
Wilfred Ross	Herbert Kingsbury
Joseph Ross	Albert Vayo
Dennis McCarthy	

Chemical Company, No. 1

Captain—Henry B. Hayes.
 Lieutenant—John Brown
 Driver—H. M. McKenzie.
 Spare Driver—Walter Scott.

Pool Department, Reorganized Jan. 1st, 1916

Captain—John Wildes.
 First Lieutenant—George Orcutt.
 Second Lieutenant—Harry Ward.

Hose and Brakemen

Jens Bruns	B. F. Young, Jr.
Harry Legallee	Wright Goldthwaite
Freeland Benson	Howard Bunker
Cyrus Boothby	Harry Phillips
Atwood Bruell	Horace Evans

Freeman Hussey	Wilbur Goldthwaite
Frank Goldthwaite	Stanton Goldthwaite
Tristram Goldthwaite	Trueman Goldthwaite
Fred O. Goldthwaite	Charles Goldthwaite
Wallace Burnham	Andrew Davis
Albert H. Lord	Frank Bond
George Goldthwaite	Herman Goldthwaite
Henry Evans	Joseph Hussey

Expenses of the Department

February	\$1,779 73
March	1,491 77
April	1,875 48
May	1,604 54
June	1,647 48
July	1,887 56
August	2,338 35
September	1,830 97
October	1,624 62
November	1,771 11
December	1,528 08
January	1,669 42
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	\$21,039 11

Fires

During the past year this department has responded to 106 alarms, 77 still and 29 bell. There was laid 10,050 feet of hose. Chemical used 340 gallons.

Horses

There are nine horses in the department.

Apparatus

There are three steam engines, two hose wagons, one combination hose and chemical wagon, one Chief's wagon and pung, two hose pungs, one hose reel at City Farm, one at Pool, one at Fortune's Rocks, one on Pool road near Morrill school, and one Invincible nozzle.

There is one dump cart and sleds used in collecting waste.

Hose

There is 10,000 feet of two and one-half inch hose. Of this amount 500 feet at City Farm, 500 feet at Fortune's Rocks, 300 feet on Pool road, 1,000 feet of two and one-half inch at Pool and 200 feet of two inch. One thousand feet has been purchased this year. I would recommend that 1,000 feet of new hose be purchased annually.

Fire Alarm

The fire alarm system is in good working order, comprising about 13½ miles of wire. One half of this amount should be replaced during the coming year.

A new battery plate has been installed to replace old one.

Inspection

I have inspected 500 buildings and business places and reported same to Insurance Commissioner.

Loss on buildings during year	\$12,249 50
Loss on contents during year	4,755 80
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	\$17,005 30

Insurance on buildings	\$43,550 00
Insurance on contents	9,050 00
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	\$52,600 00
Valuation of buildings	\$87,900 00
Valuation of contents	18,547 00
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	\$106,447 00
Appropriation for 1917-18	\$20,000 00
Credit	32 50
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	\$20,032 50
Expenditures	19,477 74
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Credit Balance	\$554 76

Fire Alarms

Below is a list of the fires with which we have had to contend, with all the necessary data:—

February 3rd, 2.50 P. M., still, 14 Harrison avenue, owned by Archer Lanouette, occupied as storehouse, by owner, cause, lamp explosion.

February 10th, 9.50 A. M., still, 23 Emery court, owned by David Bouthot, occupied as dwelling by Alphonse Dubreuil, cause, chimney.

February 10th, 11.20 A. M., still, 79 West Myrtle street, owners, R. A. Barker and Christopher Gilpatric, occupied as dwelling, cause, chimney.

February 10th, 4.05 P. M., still, 15 May street, owned by

Frank J. Trull, occupied as stable, cause, cigarette butt in waste barrel.

February 11th, 9.20 P. M., still, 397 Alfred road, owned by Mrs. G. P. Littlefield, occupied by Milton H. J. Foss as dwelling, cause, overheated chimney.

February 11th, 9.30 P. M., Box 37, 397 Alfred road, owned by Mrs. G. P. Littlefield, occupied by Milton H. J. Foss as dwelling, cause, overheated chimney.

February 12th, 7.05 P. M., still, 15-17 Hill street, owned by Cyr and Davis, occupied as dwelling by Alphonse Marthineau, cause, chimney.

February 17th, 6.35 P. M., still, 25 Winter street, owned by M. J. Leavitt, occupied as dwelling by W. McLaughlin, cause, chimney.

February 22nd, 2.10 P. M., still, 7-9 Alfred street, owned by F. P. Abbott, occupied by Gideon Gouin and Quenam Tseca as lunch room and shed, cause, spark from furnace.

February 22nd, 9.10 P. M., still, 90 Graham street, owned by J. G. Brackett, occupied as dwelling by Mrs. Renouf, cause, chimney.

February 22nd, 9.30 P. M., still, 208 Elm street, owned by Labelle Sisters, occupied as dwelling by William Roberge, cause, chimney.

February 23rd, 1.20 P. M., Box 59, 51 Clifford street, owned by Joseph Mullen, unoccupied dwelling, cause, rubbish, fired by boys playing with matches.

February 23rd, 5.05 P. M., still, 26-28 Crescent street, owned by Joseph A. Fournier, occupied as dwelling by Alfred Boisvert, cause, chimney.

February 23rd, 9.40 P. M., Box 58, 13 Main street, owned

by Mrs. Ann Boland, occupied as dwelling by Delphis Gregoire, cause, match left on table.

February 24th, 10.00 P. M., still, 64 Elm street, owned by Alexander Vanasa, occupied as dwelling by Mrs. Lachance, cause, overheated funnel.

February 27th, 5.30 A. M., still, 10 Clark street, owned by Mrs. Rebecca Crowley Clark, occupied as dwelling by Frank Pike, cause, lamp explosion.

February 27th, 5.40 A. M., Box 43, 10 Clark street, owned by Mrs. Rebecca Crowley Clark, occupied as dwelling by Frank Pike, cause, lamp explosion.

February 27th, 11.30 A. M., still, 10 Clark street, owned by Mrs. Rebecca Crowley Clark, occupied as dwelling by Frank Pike, cause, no fire.

March 1st, 9.30 A. M., still, 276 Hill street, owned by Orrin H. Foss, occupied as dwelling, cause, chimney.

March 1st, 8.00 P. M., Box 25, 13 Gooch street, owned by A. M. Goodwin, occupied as dwelling by Albanians, cause, cigarette stub on mattress.

March 3rd, 8.55 A. M., still, 152 Prospect street, owned by M. F. O'Connor, occupied as dwelling, cause, chimney.

March 5th, 7.30 P. M., Box 4, Chief's call, to care for hose.

March 12th, 6.00 P. M., still, 224 Elm street, owned by Nelson Proulx, occupied by Mrs. Hamel and Miss Mary Doherty as dwelling, cause, overheated funnel and chimney fire.

March 20th, 7.50 A. M., still, 58 Alfred street, owned by William F. Mahaney, occupied by Max H. Brandt as meat store, cause, chimney fire.

March 31st, 6.15 P. M., Box 25, Smith street, owned by Saco-Lowell Co., occupied by owner as sand shed and store room, cause, spark from furnace.

April 4th, 10.55 A. M., Box 54, Main street, owned by Pepperell Manufacturing Company, occupied by owner as dust chimney, cause, spark from metal in machinery.

April 4th, 6.35 P. M., still, 28 Cutts street, owned by Victor Cormier, occupied by Daniel Twomey as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

April 5th, 11.35 A. M., still, 133 Main street, owned by Mrs. Leavitt, occupied by Mrs. M. Simensky, millinery, cloaks and suits department, cause, overheated furnace.

April 5th, 6.10 P. M., still, 57 State street, owned by Mrs. A. Cleaves, occupied by James Murphy and Mr. Hartley as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

April 8th, 1.30 P. M., 228 Main street, owned by Biddeford Savings Bank, occupied by Joseph Etchells as auto sales room, cause, box with magnifying glass set fire to paper inside window.

April 9th, 7.30 P. M., Box 4, chief's call to men to take care of hose.

April 11th, 10.50 A. M., still, Shevenell's court, owned by James F. Stanton, occupied by Mrs. Annie McCarthy as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

April 14th, 12.10 P. M., still, Kennebunk road, owned by Peter Marcille, vacant lot used as hay field, grass fire caused by burning rubbish.

April 14th, 4.50 P. M., still, Rugby street, owned by Mrs. Vallee, vacant lot, grass fire caused by burning rubbish.

April 14th, 6.45 P. M., still, 49 Summer street, owned by

James Flood, occupied by Oliver Cantara as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

April 19th, 11.15 A. M., Box 56, 342 Pool road, owned by William Hill estate, occupied by Theotime Beaudoin, field and wood lot, cause, burning rubbish.

April 21st, 4 P. M., still, 21-23 Myrtle street, owned by Joseph Billings, occupied by Thomas F. Locke as dwelling, cause, no draft in chimney filling house with smoke.

April 21st, 4.50 P. M., still, 65 South street, owned by Roland Gosch, occupied by Mrs. W. A. Cosgrove as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

April 24th, 5.35 P. M., still, 311 Main street, American flag owned by citizens of Biddeford, cause, spark from trolley car.

April 25th, 1.10 P. M., still, Clifford Park, owned by City of Biddeford, wood lot, cause, boys playing with matches.

April 28th, 2.15 A. M., Box 53, 44-46-48 St. Mary's street, owned by John F. Hannaway, occupied by Jean Heran, Flamand Deschambeau, Mme. Emelie Mathieux, Henry Lamirande, Alfred Lamirande as dwelling, cause, spark from engine.

April 28th, 2.20 A. M., Box 54, 44-46-48 St. Mary's street, owned by John F. Hannaway, occupied by Henry Lamirande, Jr., Wilfred Dorais and Louis Simoneau as dwelling, cause, spark from engine.

April 28th, 1.00 P. M., 9-11 River street, owned by A. M. Goodwin, occupied by Albanians as dwelling and shed, roof fire caused by spark from chimney.

May 7th, 8.15 A. M., still, 75 Main street, owned by Yates estate, occupied by Greeks as barber shop, cause, chimney fire.

May 7th, 3.50 P. M., still, 63 Elm street, owned by Joel Bean estate, occupied by Philip Ledoux and Garon and Houle as dwelling and grocery store, cause, unknown.

May 10th, 3.45 P. M., still, 23 Myrtle street, owned by Mrs. Joseph Billings, occupied by owner as dwelling, caused by fumigating room.

May 12th, 6.45 A. M., still, 69-71 Oak street, owned by Mrs. Catherine Harvey, occupied by owner as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

May 15th, 7.45 A. M., still, 40 St. Mary's street, owned by Hannah Guiney, occupied by Felix Hooper as dwelling, cause, spark from chimney fire.

May 18th, 5.15 P. M., still, 39 Washington street, owned by George C. Fogg, occupied by Ernest L. Harmon as garage, cause, overheated furnace.

May 20th, 6.25 P. M., still, Pool street, owned by City of Biddeford, Clifford park, cause, match dropped in dry leaves.

May 22nd, 9 P. M., still, 9 St. Mary's street, owned by A. E. Tibbetts, occupied by Mrs. Sheehan as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

May 23rd, 8.00 A. M., still, 14 Chadwick place, owned by Dr. C. J. Emery, occupied by Charles Dawley as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

May 23rd, 2.25 P. M., still, 99 Water street, owned by Biddeford and Saco Coal Co., occupied by owner as office, cause, overheated fire-place set fire to wood work.

May 29th, 11 A. M., still, 206 Main street, owned by Sweetser estate, occupied by P. T. J. Ledoux as City Square Chambers, cause, chimney fire.

May 29th, 12.50 P. M., still, 23 Oak street, owned by James Tarr, occupied by Joseph T. Cote as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

June 8th, 2.20 P. M., still, 6 Mountain road, owned by Herbert P. Witham, occupied by owner as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

June 8th, 9.55 P. M., still, 346 Main street, owned by Mott Gove, occupied by Mrs. F. M. Henderson as dwelling, caused by lamp explosion.

June 10th, 3.20 A. M., Box 47, 64 Pike street, owned by Mrs. Michael Murphy, occupied by David Murphy as dwelling, cause, set by unknown person.

June 23rd, 12.40 P. M., still, 74 Pike street, owned by Mrs. Alec Morrill, occupied by Cyril Lariviere as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

June 23rd, 9.35 P. M., still, 116 Washington, corner Alfred street, left burning rubbish in the yard.

July 1st, 8.40 A. M., still, 70-72 Hill street, owned by Mrs. Snow, J. F. Emond, occupied by Mrs. J. Boisvert and J. Timeman as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

July 2nd, 2.35 P. M., Box 55, 38-40 Franklin street, owned by Day heirs, occupied by William I. Johnston as blacksmith, roof fire caused by spark from chimney.

July 2nd, 7.15 P. M., still, 58 Alfred street, owned by William F. Mahaney, occupied by Max H. Brandt as meat shop, cause, overheated furnace.

July 16th, 3.20 P. M., Box 43, 8 Porter street, owned by Orrin Nason, occupied by owner and Harry Scott as dwelling, cause, hot ashes in waste barrel.

July 20th, 8.15 P. M., still, 47 Prospect street, owned by

Mrs. Joseph Billings, occupied by Mrs. Mary Murphy as dwelling, cause, overheated funnel.

July 21st, 3 P. M., still, 2 15 South street, dump fire.

July 31st, 11.30 A. M., still, 60 Alfred street, owned by William F. Mahaney, occupied by William Nadeau as dwelling, cause, no draft in chimney filling house with smoke.

July 31st, 10.40 P. M., still, 254 Hill street, owned by George Poirier, occupied by owner as dwelling, cause, lamp explosion.

August 5th, 7.00 P. M., Box 27, Main street, owned by Boston and Maine railroad, dump fire, caused by boy with matches.

August 16th, 7.05 P. M., Box 56, 37 Foss street and Cote's court, owned by Herbert R. Jordan, vacant dwelling, caused by boy playing with matches.

August 17th, 1.30 A. M., still, 284-6-8 Main street, owned by Herbert R. Jordan, occupied by Mrs. Amanda Martin and Charles Mitchell as lunch room and barber shop, caused by lamp explosion.

August 30th, 8.25 P. M., still, Main street, owned by City of Biddeford, occupied as bridge, cause, defective wire.

September 12th, 10.05 A. M., still, reservoir, River road, owned by Biddeford and Saco Water Company, used as wood lot, caused by burning stump.

September 15th, 10.10 A. M., still, Jefferson street, owned by City of Biddeford, occupied by Biddeford and Saco Water Company, cause, pot of tar on fire.

September 29th, 5.05 P. M., Box 53, corner, 27 Spruce and 14 Hazel street, owned by Rev. T. P. Linehan, St. Mary's

parish, occupied by Gregory Sweeney and Max Lemovitz as dwelling, roof fire caused by spark from engine.

October 9th, 12.45 A. M., still, Beachwood road, owned by A. E. and F. E. Hamilton, occupied by F. E. Hamilton as dwelling, cause, defective chimney.

October 9th, 12.50 A. M., Box 55, Beachwood road, owned by A. E. and F. E. Hamilton, occupied by F. E. Hamilton as dwelling, cause, defective chimney.

October 20th, 5.55 P. M., Box 43, 7 Clark court, owned by Maxime Huppe, occupied by owner as barn, caused by lantern explosion.

November 1st, 11.50 A. M., still, 182 Elm street, owned by Rev. P. E. Dupont estate, occupied by Mrs. J. E. Cannell as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

November 5th, 11.30 A. M., Box 26, 62 Cutts street, owned by Wilbur H. Durgin, occupied by Albert Paquin as dwelling, roof fire, caused by spark from chimney.

November 7th, 12.20 P. M., Box 25, 13-15 River street, owned by A. M. Goodwin, occupied by Cleophas Chabot, Joseph Chabot, Francois McLean and Jean Henaire as dwelling, roof fire, caused by spark from chimney.

November 8th, 11.10 A. M., still, Boston and Maine freight yard, owned and occupied by Boston and Maine, locomotive, cause, blowing out of a water bar of the boiler.

November 12th, 3.50 P. M., still, 375-377 Main street, owned by Jere G. Shaw and Mrs. Jesse Gould, occupied as dwelling by Mrs. Berry and Mrs. Meehan, roof fire, caused by sparks from engine.

November 12th, 5.35 P. M., Box 56, 57-59 Alfred street, owned by Herbert R. Jordan, occupied by Louis Labrecque

and Joseph Cote as dwelling, caused by boy playing with matches.

November 13th, 2.45 P. M., still, Kennebunk road, back of St. Mary's cemetery, caused by man dropping cigarette stub while smoking in the woods.

November 16th, 10.15 P. M., Box 55, Alfred road, owned by Remi Jariz, vacant house and barn, caused by match carelessly dropped in barn.

November 17th, 11.30 A. M., still, West street, back of French cemetery, cause, burning brush.

November 26th, 8.45 P. M., still, 14 Smith street, owned by Boston and Maine railroad, occupied by Albanians as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

November 29th, 4.10 P. M., still, 166 Elm street, owned by George K. Gibbs, occupied by Henry Binette as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

November 29th, 5.00 P. M., still, 166 Elm street, owned by George K. Gibbs, occupied by Henry Binette as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

December 17th, 5.45 P. M., still, 8 Williams court, owned by Joseph Menard, occupied by Alfred Christian as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

December 28th, 6.40 P. M., still, 82 Alfred street, owned by Hatch and Hall, occupied by Pierre Martin as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

December 29th, 12.30 P. M., still, 99 Water street, owned by Biddeford and Saco Coal Company, occupied by owner as office, caused by overheated fireplace setting woodwork on fire.

December 31st, 8.40 A. M., still, 51 Mason street, owned

by Dayton T. Moore and occupied by owner as dwelling, caused by bursting of steam pipe.

January 1st, 12.15 A. M., Box 53, 38 Center street, owned by J. G. Shaw and Carlos H. McKenney, occupied by Joseph Borduas as dwelling, cause, sparks dropping through open flue in chimney set wood pile on fire.

January 1st, 8.45 A. M., still, 30-32 Foss street, owned by P. E. Seavey, occupied by Mr. Gonnevillle as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

January 3rd, 6.30 A. M., still, 49 South street, owned by Emile Fontaine, occupied by owner as dwelling and garage, cause, chimney fire.

January 5th, 10.40 A. M., still, Elm street, owned by Joseph H. Dearborn, windmill, cause, thawing out water pipe set woodwork on fire.

January 6th, 4.30 A. M., Box 25, 64-66 Elm street, owned by Alexandre Vanasse, occupied by Ernest Hamel and Albanians as dwelling, bakery and tobacco store, caused by overturned lamp.

January 6th, 9.50 A. M., Box 57, 13-15 Main street, owned by estate of Mrs. Ann Boland, occupied by Albanians as dwelling, cause, spark dropping through chimney flue set woodwork on fire.

January 7th, 8.45 P. M., Box 59, 67-69 Water street, owned by Saco Water Power Company, occupied by Desire Marchand as dwelling, cause, overheated oil stove set rug on fire.

January 11th, 11.05 A. M., Box 35, 51 Green street, owned by Abraham Kay, occupied by John Burba as dwelling, cause, children playing with matches set curtains on fire.

January 15th, 10.05 A. M., Box 37, Five Points, owned

by Joseph Etchells and Co. and occupied by owner as garage, cause, worn insulation of lamp cord caused short circuit, spark setting fire to gasoline auto owned by Edward T. Hyde.

January 17th, 7.45 P. M., still, 38 Green street, owned by Sarah Warren, vacant dwelling, cause, fumigating the house.

January 21st, 7.20 P. M., still, Jefferson street, owned by Jere G. Shaw, occupied by P. J. Farley as barn, cause, match carelessly dropped set burlap on fire.

January 22nd, 4.20 P. M., still, 69 Jefferson street, owned by Herbert R. Jordan, occupied by Joseph Burns as dwelling, cause, chimney fire.

January 26th, 11.50 A. M., still, 7 Prospect street, owned by Real Bellerose and occupied by owner as dwelling, cause, spark from a match set clothing on fire.

Location of Fire Alarm Boxes

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| Box 12 | School signal. |
| 23 | J. G. Deering & Son, Spring's Island. |
| 24 | City Farm. |
| 25 | Smith's Corner, corner Smith street. |
| 26 | State street, near residence of Timothy Sullivan. |
| 27 | Main street, corner Western avenue. |
| 28 | Highland street, near corner Main. |
| 29 | South street, opposite residence of H. G. Holmes. |
| 32 | May street, corner of Amherst. |
| 33 | May street, corner of Orchard. |
| 34 | King's Corner, junction of South and Elm streets. |
| 35 | Junction of South, Green and Crescent streets. |
| 36 | Elm street, opposite residence of Wm. B. Sullivan. |
| 37 | Five Points. |
| 38 | Alfred and Graham streets. |

- 39 Union street, near Dr. Charles F. Traynor's.
- 42 Hill street, opposite residence of Wm. C. Ritz.
- 43 Corner Alfred and Birch streets.
- 44 Granite street, near residence of Albert T. Goodwin.
- 45 Hill street, near Emery school.
- 46 Pool street, near Methodist church.
- 47 Pool street, head of Pike.
- 48 Pool street, near corner of Clifford.
- 49 Bacon street, near corner of Pierson lane.
- 53 Corner Main and Elm sts., near Jos. Stride & Co's.
- 54 South street, near entrance City Building.
- 55 Washington street, Central Fire station.
- 56 Main street, corner of Alfred.
- 57 Main street, opposite foot of Hill.
- 58 Corner Clifford and Water streets.
- 59 Corner Judge and Gove streets.

Location of Hydrants

- 1 City Farm yard.
- 2 Corner of Main and Highland streets.
- 3 Main street, near Eastern railroad.
- 4 Main street, corner of Western avenue.
- 5 Western avenue, near residence of Frank Cole.
- 6 Main street, above Harvey street, 8 inch.
- 7 Main street, above George W. Carter's store.
- 8 Main street, near B. & M. R. R. crossing, 8 inch.
- 9 Main street, corner of Bradbury street.
- 10 Elm street, corner of Main street.
- 11 Main street, opposite McArthur library, 8 inch.
- 12 Jefferson street, corner of Main street.
- 13 Center street, near Green street.
- 14 Adams street, corner of Main street.
- 15 Lincoln street, corner of Main street.

- 16 Main street, below Lincoln street, 8 inch.
- 17 Main street, corner of Washington street.
- 18 Main street, corner of Franklin street.
- 19 Franklin street, opposite Federal street.
- 20 Main street, front of Boynton's Drug store, 8 inch.
- 21 Alfred street, corner of Main street.
- 22 Main street, corner of Emery street.
- 23 Water street, corner of Hill street, 8 inch.
- 24 Sullivan street, corner of Water street.
- 25 Water street, foot of Pike street.
- 26 Water street, opposite Electric Light station.
- 27 Judge street, head of Gove street.
- 28 Cleaves street, near Judge street.
- 29 Cleaves street, near Lafayette street.
- 30 Pike street, foot of Cross street.
- 31 Pool street, near Oak street.
- 32 Pool street, near corner of Pike street.
- 33 Pool street, near residence of P. A. Freeman.
- 34 Pool street, near residence of H. P. Atkinson.
- 35 Pool street, near residence of James Libby.
- 36 Sullivan street, corner of Bacon street.
- 37 High street, head of Bacon street.
- 38 Hill street, between Main and Bacon streets.
- 39 Corner of Bacon and Emery streets.
- 40 Hill street, corner of Pool street.
- 41 Hill street, corner of Acorn street.
- 42 Hill street, corner of Fall street.
- 43 Hill street, near G. M. Ward's house.
- 44 Hill street, near Mrs. Ritz's house.
- 45 Hill street, near James H. Robbins' house.
- 46 Hill street, corner Bacon street.
- 47 Granite street, near residence of Benjamin Goodier.
- 48 Granite street, near residence of Napoleon Lavigne.

- 49 Granite street, opposite residence of Gowen Emmons.
- 50 Granite street, near residence of Edward Coburn.
- 51 Granite street, between residences of Smith and Adams.
- 52 West street, near residence of George Coburn.
- 53 West street, near residence of J. Emerson.
- 54 West street, near Prospect street.
- 55 West street, near Graham street.
- 56 Pool street, near corner of Foss street.
- 57 Foss street, near corner of Mt. Vernon street.
- 58 Foss street, corner of Fall street.
- 59 Harrison avenue, corner of Prospect street.
- 60 Alfred street, near head of Franklin street.
- 61 Alfred street, corner of Pool street.
- 62 Alfred street, near corner of Washington street.
- 63 Alfred street, corner of Birch street.
- 64 Alfred street, corner of Myrtle street.
- 65 Alfred street, corner Union street.
- 66 Alfred street, near residence of John Campbell.
- 67 Alfred street, near residence of James Fogg.
- 68 Alfred street, near Five Points.
- 69 Jefferson street, corner of Washington street.
- 70 Washington street, above school house.
- 71 South street, corner of Jefferson street.
- 72 South street, corner of Green.
- 73 South street, corner of Elm street.
- 74 South street, corner of State street.
- 75 South street, near residence of C. E. Atwood.
- 76 South street, above Eastern railroad bridge.
- 77 South street, corner of Highland street.
- 78 South street, near Brunelle Brothers' residence.
- 79 Highland street, opposite residence of C. H. Andrews.
- 80 Elm street, corner of Walnut street.
- 81 Elm street, opposite Chapman laundry.

- 82 Elm street, corner Pine street.
- 83 Elm street, opposite Boston & Maine freight house.
- 84 Corner of Gooch and Elm street.
- 85 Elm street, corner of Pearl street.
- 86 Elm street, head of Center street.
- 87 Elm street, near Mason street.
- 88 Elm street, corner of Union street.
- 89 Elm street, corner of Taylor street.
- 90 Elm street, corner of Dartmouth street.
- 91 Hooper street, top of hill.
- 92 Lincoln street, corner of Stone street.
- 93 Lincoln street, corner of Pearl street.
- 94 Green street, corner of Birch street.
- 95 Birch street, opposite school house, 8 inch.
- 96 Birch street, corner of Summer street.
- 97 Union street, corner of Graham street.
- 98 Graham street, corner of Mason street.
- 99 Graham street, near residence of I. Shevenelle.
- 100 Summer street, opposite residence of J. F. Wormwood.
- 101 Smith street, opposite Saco-Lowell foundry.
- 102 Wentworth street, opposite school house.
- 103 Jefferson street, corner of Adams.
- 104 Corner of Oak and Acorn streets.
- 105 Oak street, between Acorn and Pool streets.
- 106 Bradbury street, near school house.
- 107 Bradbury street, corner of Main street.
- 108 Walnut street, corner of Adams court.
- 109 May street, opposite Trull hospital.
- 110 May street, corner of Beacon avenue.
- 111 May street, near Amherst street.
- 112 Corner of May and Alfred streets.
- 113 Corner Prospect and Myrtle streets.
- 114 Western avenue, near shoe shop.

- 115 State street, near residence of E. Staples.
10 hydrants at Fortune's Rocks.

New Hydrants Installed on Pool Street

- 36 Near residence of John Finnard.
37 Near residence of Mrs. Durell.
38 Near residence of Mark Gordon.
39 Near residence of Albert Nadeau.
40 Near Morrill school house.
41 Near residence of Roberts Bros.
20 installed at Pool.

New Hydrants Installed on Kennebunk Road

- 1 Elm street near Woodlawn Cemetery.
2 Elm street near residence of O. F. Hayford.
3 Elm street near residence of Augustin Lavigne.
4 Elm street near Forest street.
5 Elm street near residence of Mrs. Catherine Burnham.
6 Elm street near residence of Ezra Wakefield.
7 Elm street near residence of Clark Wakefield.
8 Elm street near residence of George Marcille.
9 Elm street near St. Mary's Cemetery.
10 Elm street near residence of Albert E. Rock.

Total hose laid for the year 10,050 feet.	
Total Insurance on Buildings	\$43,550 00
Total Loss on Buildings	12,249 50
Total Loss on Contents	4,760 87
Total Insurance on Contents	9,550 00
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Total Valuation on Buildings and Contents ...	\$104,672 50

Thanks are extended to the Chief of Police and patrolmen for their assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK CANTARA,

Chief Engineer.

Report of Overseers of the Poor

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Biddeford:

Gentlemen:—In accordance with the requirements of the Ordinances of the City I hereby submit my report as Clerk of the Overseers of the Poor for the year ending Jan. 31, 1918.

The year just passed has been a severe one in this particular department as the cost of necessities has been increasing and the scarcity of many of the articles has been felt. This Department has had many extra calls for assistance owing to the efforts of Mrs. Laura Trafton, York County Agent for the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children. These cases have been attended to promptly and all other cases that have been brought to the attention of this Department.

We are caring for 21 orphans as follows:—

York County Children's Aid	7
Mrs. Laura Trafton	4
St. Mary's Asylum, Lewiston	2
Healy Asylum	5
St. Joseph's	3

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and several others being taken care of in private families and by relatives.

The monthly expenditures of the several departments are as follows:

	Street	Medical	Farm
February	\$1,456 12	\$265 10	\$509 55
March	1,086 64	138 30	547 30
April	1,108 43	122 00	547 01
May	1,441 64	276 05	1,035 97
June	999 89	150 15	691 00
July	1,093 87	130 20	520 71
August	1,094 46	118 00	652 81
September	1,083 78	126 25	581 84
October	1,466 75	220 65	1,029 71
November	1,463 44	137 75	726 72
December	1,159 70	126 50	654 51
January	1,096 45	151 95	778 81
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	\$14,551 17	\$1,962 90	\$8,275 84

Street Department	\$14,551 17
Medical Department	1,962 90
Farm Department	8,275 84
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Total expenses \$24,789 91

Appropriation	\$20,000 00
Received from State	3,801 76
Received from Farm	778 00
Transfers	210 15
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Total receipts \$24,789 91

Total expenditures \$24,789 91

There is an amount of \$277.65 paid by the State after

the transfers were made. There is due from the State now a balance of \$265.40.

There was an amount of \$200.00 given by the Overseers of the Poor towards the support of the City Mission.

Amount expended for repairs on City Farm \$600 00

Number of inmates at the Farm at the close of each month :

February	38
March	38
April	35
May	35
June	34
July	34
August	32
September	32
October	31
November	30
December	30
January	30

There were four deaths at the Farm.

Products Raised at the Farm

Potatoes	300 bushels
Beans	24 bushels
Turnips	25 bushels
Cabbages	3 tons
Hay	90 tons

Stock on Farm

Horses	4
Cows	9
Hogs	4
Hens	50

Farm Implements

Single work wagon	1
Democrat wagon	1
Double hay rick	1
Single hay rick	1
Top buggy	1
Sets double harness	2
Sets single harness	2
Double sleds	2
Single sled	1
Traverse runner pung	1
Plows	2
Horse rakes	2
Corn planter	1
Cultivators	2
Spring tooth harrow	1
Mowing machine	1
Seed sower	1
Horse hoe	1
Manure spreader	1
Seeding harrow	1
Potato sprayer	1

I wish to extend my sincere thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Googins for the efficient care of the farm and its inmates, also

to Dr. George C. Precourt for the personal interest in all cases where his services were required.

Respectfully submitted,

Overseers of Poor, by

OSCAR G. PARENT,

Clerk.

January 31, 1918.

Report of the Public Library

To the Honorable Board of Directors of the McArthur Library Association:

The report of the Biddeford Public Library for the year ending Jan. 31st, 1918, is as follows:

The library was open 305 days from 10 a. m. to 9 p. m. The total circulation 45,197 volumes. The largest full week's circulation was 1,134; the smallest, 629 for the week ending October 3; the average weekly circulation for the year being a little more than 869 volumes. There were 366 new names registered; 43 of these deposited a dollar for the privilege of borrowing books. 723 books were added exclusive of State and Government reports; 161 were purchased from City and State appropriation; 252 from invested funds; 125 from fine money; 129 were added by binding magazines; 56 were gifts. During the year 443 books have been rebound, besides as many more repaired in the library; 70 volumes have been worn out and withdrawn; 3 destroyed on account of infectious disease were paid for by the borrower; 6 were lost in circulation, one of which was replaced by the borrower; 44 have disappeared from the children's room. Both reading rooms have been patronized to their fullest extent during the winter. 127 periodicals are received regularly, 34 of which are gifts.

The Story Hour on Saturday mornings has had an average attendance of 22 children.

Eighty-nine pupils from the freshman class in the High School and the ninth grade have come to the library once each term for instruction and drill in the use of the library and reference books.

Three rural schools have taken the small traveling libraries for school and neighborhood use.

The wild flower display was continued from April to October, showing 200 varieties. Mrs. Alfred Pier of Kennebunkport brought in the largest number.

Among works of special importance added are The New York Times Index; 26 volumes to the musical collection; a new edition of Machine-shop Practice in 5 volumes; Vegetable Gardening, 3 volumes; Work of Luther Burbank, 12 volumes; Warner Library of the World's Best Literature, 31 volumes.

Besides the Library has bought books on Thrift, Food Conservation and Gardening, and has cooperated with the United States Food Administration by advertising, displaying and circulating books and pamphlets showing the importance that food plays in the present crisis. The Library has also been interested in other war activities. First came the request to collect books and magazines for the soldiers' and sailors' libraries, and the people responded so well that the library has had 12 cases of books and magazines to send away, the library doing its bit in paying the express. Then came the national drive for a million dollars for camp libraries—as usual the City's quota was over-subscribed, and the sum of \$854.15 was raised by popular subscription. The success of the campaign was due to the Directors of the Library with the help of the following committee: Mrs. Georgia Goodwin Smith, Misses Mary Hooper, Iva Gilman, Jennie Meserve, Helen Burnie, Rev. T. C. Chapman, Rev. W.

Y. Morrison, Messrs. Clark Wakefield, John Armstrong, Christopher Prescott, Mark Curtis, Harry Whelan, Daniel R. Winship, Albert Ricker, Patrick Kearney, J. J. Fearon, Louis Polakewich.

The Library has been fortunate in its gifts this year. Mr. Ferguson Haines has presented his collection of Civil War scrip, which is complete and valuable. He has also given a fine statuette of Daniel Webster—the design of the sculptor Thomas Ball. This statuette was owned by Mr. Francis Skinner a former selling agent for the Pepperell Mfg. Co. and a personal friend of Daniel Webster. At Mr. Skinner's death the statuette was presented to Mr. Haines' father.

An autograph letter of Daniel Webster, mounted on glass has been given to the library by a friend who wishes to remain unknown.

Mrs. George B. Goodwin has given some card pictures of Webster's birthplace, and of the Old Court of Plymouth, N. H., where he tried his first case.

Miss Laura E. Foss has given a number of old City and School reports, among them is the first annual report of the City of Biddeford for 1855-6.

The Mary Baker Eddy Fund has donated 11 volumes and 3 periodicals.

In the death last summer of Mr. Carlos Heard, the City lost one of its most highly valued citizens, and the Library lost a wise friend and adviser, who had been interested in the Association from its start.

There has been a change in the personnel of the library force this winter. Mr. Percy L. Tate who has been connected with the library since August 1909, resigned his position

for one with brighter prospects for an ambitious young man, where he can learn a lucrative trade and at the same time do his bit for his country. Mr. Chase Goodwin has succeeded Mr. Tate as janitor.

We wish to acknowledge with thanks gifts from the following :

Advent Christian Church, periodical	1
J. M. Beck, book	1
Biddeford Daily Journal, subscription	1
Biddeford Record, subscription	1
Bross Foundation, book	1
Emile Carbonnel, book	1
Carnegie Endowment Fund, books	2
W. A. Cheney, book	1
Aristides F. Christu, books	2
W. H. Cudworth, book	1
Prof. W. M. Dixon, books	9
George H. Doran, Co., book	1
Doubleday Page & Co., book	1
E. P. Dutton & Co., books	2
Mary Baker Eddy Fund, books	11
" " " " periodicals	3
Electric Supply Co., book	1
Miss Abbie Fairfield, books	7
Felt-Tarrant & Co., book	1
Hodder & Stoughton, book	1
Houghton, Mifflin & Co., book	1
La Justice de Biddeford, subscription	1
Kennebunk Enterprise, subscription	1
Rev. T. P. Linehan, periodical	1
Mrs. S. C. Mason, book	1
N. W. L. D. Association, book	1
National Security League, book	1

Thomas Nelson & Sons, book	1
Sir Gilbert Parker, book	1
Portland W. C. T. U., book	1
Prudential Insurance, book	1
Rockefeller Foundation, book	1
State of Maine, books	2
And all reports.	
System, book	1
Unknown, book	1
Many pamphlets	

Financial Statement

Source of funds—City of Biddeford	\$2,200 00
State stipend	220 00
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	\$2,420 00

Paid from above funds:

For Binding Books	\$191 20
For Books	243 82
For Fuel	475 64
For Lighting	187 14
For Salaries	1,312 50
For Supplies	9 70
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	\$2,420 00

Paid from permanent fund:

A. L. A. Membership	\$5 00
Binding	107 00
Bond	5 00
Books	183 73
Insurance	389 10
Labor	36 40
Periodicals	247 95
Repairs	150 34

Salary	500 00	
Supplies	149 99	
	<hr/>	\$1,774 51

Fine Money Account

Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1917	\$27 89
Received for condemned books	3 00
Received from Deposits	43 00
Received from Fines	122 91
Received from Mr. Gove for labor	35 40
Received from Rent of Auditorium	45 10
Received from Junk	75
Received from Stamps	5 32
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	\$283 37

Paid for Books	\$107 44
Paid for Express	14 33
Paid for Labor	37 15
Paid for Magazines	1 92
Paid for Stamps	11 29
Paid for Stationery	2 63
Paid for Supplies	13 38
Deposited with Mr. Gove	45 10
Refunded	32 00
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	\$265 24

Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1918	\$18 13
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Respectfully submitted,

EMMA HATCH,
Librarian.



CITY PHYSICIAN GEORGE C. PRECOURT

Report of City Physician

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Biddeford:

Gentlemen:—I take pleasure in submitting my report as city physician for the year ending January 31, 1918:

Number of visits at city hospital 156

Average of 25 patients were attended at each visit.

Number of visits at houses 456

Number of consultations at office 985

Number of deaths at city hospital 4

Number of deaths at their homes 4

Number of births at their homes 10

Respectfully submitted,

G. C. PRECOURT.

Board of Health

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council of the City of Biddeford:

Gentlemen:—In accordance with the provisions of the Charter of the City, I hereby submit the following report of the Board of Health, for the year ending January 31, 1918.

The following are the contagious diseases referred to the Board.

Diphtheria	10
Tuberculosis	17
Meningitis	2
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The homes of these patients were at once fumigated under direction of the Board and on two occasions school rooms were also fumigated.

Several nuisances were reported and attended to promptly as the Board has been in session each Saturday through the year to hear any complaints and care for their adjustment.

ELMER O. DAVIS,
Secretary.

ALEX GAGNON,
Chairman.

JERE O'SULLIVAN.

Report of Assessors

To the Honorable, the City Council of the City of Biddeford :

We herewith submit a list of the abatement of taxes made by the Board of Assessors during the fiscal year ending January 31, 1918.

For James Beaumont, Collector, tax of 1911 ...	\$	6	53
For James Beaumont, Collector, tax of 1912 ...		12	93
For James Beaumont, Collector, tax of 1913 ...		82	18
For James Beaumont, Collector, tax of 1914 ...		124	08
For James Beaumont, Collector, tax of 1915 ...		333	88
For James Beaumont, Collector, tax of 1916 ...		902	18
For James Beaumont, Collector, tax of 1917 ...		985	98

Total abatements	\$2,447	76
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Respectfully submitted,

HENRY P. SIMARD,

BENJ. L. GORDON,

EVERETT M. STAPLES,

Board of Assessors, 1917-18.

Report of Tax Collector

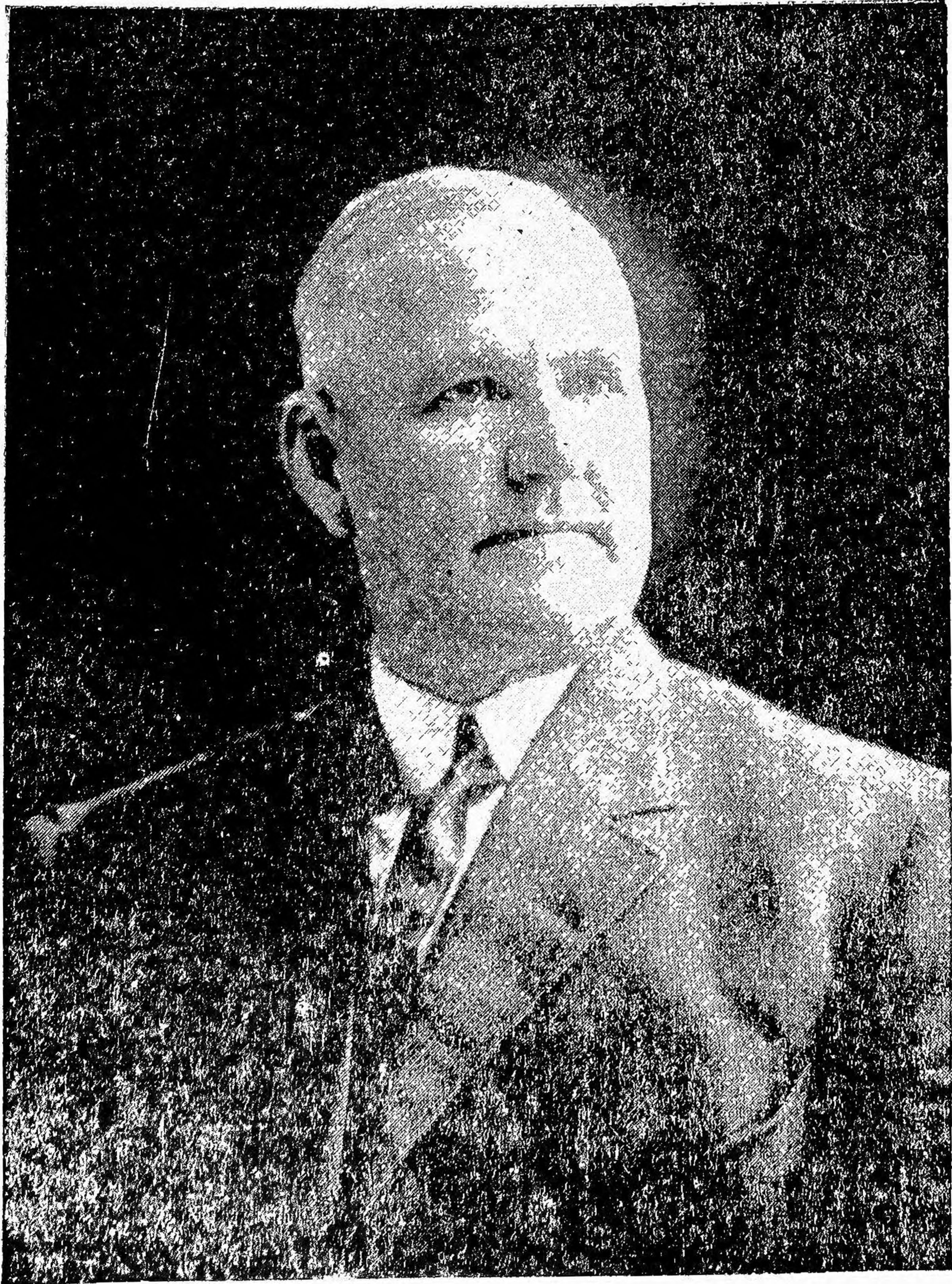
To the Honorable, the Mayor and City Council of the City
of Biddeford:

I hereby respectfully submit my report as Collector of
Taxes for the fiscal year, 1917.

Amount of commitment for 1917	\$256,784 20
Supplemental tax	1,429 78
Interest	232 00
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Total	\$258,445 98
Paid City Treasurer on acct. of Tax	\$250,800 00
Paid City Treasurer on acct. Int.	232 00
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	\$251,032 00

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES BEAUMONT,
Collector of Taxes, 1917.



CHIEF OF POLICE THOMAS STONE

Report of Board of Police

To the Honorable, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Biddeford:

Gentlemen:—The Board of Police of the City of Biddeford, in compliance with the provisions of law, have the honor to submit the following report of the actions of the department for the year ending January 31, 1918.

On account of war activities, the Department, during the past year, has had extra duties to perform in connection with the Exemption Board and the Department of Justice. All their requests were attended to cheerfully and efficiently by the Chief, Captain and Patrolmen.

We trust that you will note carefully the following recommendations relative to the needs of the department.

The Department is in urgent need of an up-to-date signal system. The present system is inadequate and unsuitable for the proper policing of our city.

Secondly, we would recommend the removal of cells 1 and 11 from the police station. At present, these cells are a hindrance to the proper ventilation of the cell room and their removal would result in a decided improvement in sanitary conditions. The removal of these cells would still leave a sufficient number to provide for prisoners except on very rare occasions.

The report of the Chief of Police as submitted to this Board is as follows:

Intoxication	157
Single sale of intoxicating liquors ..	1
Receiving stolen goods	1
Search and seizure	1
Indecent language	6
Malicious mischief	15
Murder	1
Resisting an officer	2
Affray	2
Gambling	4
Keeping gambling house	1
Manslaughter	1
Adultery	2
Keeping idle and disorderly house ..	2
Non-support	1
Larceny	9
Fornication	4
Assault	22
Breaking, entering and larceny	4
Disturbing the peace	1
Evading fares	2

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In conclusion, the Board of Police has noted, with satisfaction, the excellent discipline of the Police Department for the past year. It has been most effective. The Department has faithfully and efficiently attended to the work assigned

by the Chief and, as a result, quiet and order have prevailed on our streets which has been for the good and welfare of our city.

Respectfully,

MARK GORDON,

Chairman.

JOHN McCOURT,

NAPOLEON NADEAU,

The Board of Police.

By JOHN McCOURT, Secretary.

Report of Park Commissioners

To the Honorable Mayor and City Council:

In the year 1917, our appropriation was devoted to the maintenance of the Summer playground in Clifford Park, which we established some years ago and the success of which is reason for civic pride. The playground movement is today a civic necessity and is of recognized importance. For two years the local work has received substantial support from the Thursday club. This assistance has been appreciated but our city officials should so recognize the worth of this work, that local societies should not be compelled to do what the City, itself, should be doing. This department, next year, in meeting the bills incurred, in conducting the entire movement, in the care of the parks and the financing of the playground will need \$1,000.

Playground Expense

Month of June, 1917

N. R. Golding	\$22 50
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Month of July, 1917

George G. Rhodes	\$41 25
Twomey's Express	3 00

Norman R. Golding	27 00
Irene Auger	5 00
Biddeford and Saco Water Company	8 00
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	\$84 25

For Month of August, 1917

Norman R. Golding	\$27 00
O. Drown	20 01
Irene Auger	10 00
Paul Roy	13 50
N. R. Golding	27 00
George A. Anthoine	5 00
George G. Rhodes	11 00
N. R. Golding	24 75
Irene Auger	10 00
Townsend Bros.	8 71
Ruth E. Gove	5 07
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	\$159 79

Month of October, 1917

N. R. Golding	\$15 75
N. R. Golding	7 50
Saco Grain & Milling Company	2 66
T. L. Evans & Company	2 46
Peter Warren	1 80
McKenney & Heard	56 70
Berger Manufacturing Company	40 80
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	\$127 67

Month of December, 1917

Alfred Hanson	\$60 00
Saco Grain & Milling Company	1 70
T. L. Evans & Company	2 73
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	\$64 43
Total expenditures for year	\$458 64
Appropriation	\$600 00
Expenditures	458 64
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Balance	\$141 36

F. C. LEINING.

M. E. GOLDING

Report of School Board

To the Honorable Mayor and City Government:

The following statement concerning the public schools is respectfully submitted:

Finances of the School Department

Receipts

School appropriation from City	\$5,500 00
Mill fund from State	18,961 69
Common School fund from State	16,961 69
Free High School fund from State	500 00
Tuition	267 00
Rent, Sullivan street school	110 00
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	\$42,300 38

Repairs, Supplies and Insurance, City Ap- propriation	5,500 00
Superintendent's Salary, City appropriation	2,200 00
State appropriation	800 00
Text Books, City appropriation	1,200 00
Manual Training, City appropriation	1,100 00
State appropriation	733 32
Domestic Science, City Appropriation	700 00
State appropriation	433 33

Evening Schools, City appropriation	800 00
State appropriation	422 33
Total Receipts	\$56,189 36

Expenditures

Teachers' Salaries

High School	\$8,555 00
Manual Training	1,100 00
Domestic Science	722 00
Evening Schools	958 50
Other schools	25,565 23
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	\$36,910 73

Janitors' Wages

High School	829 30
Other Schools	3,066 15

Fuel

High School	755 29
Other Schools	3,102 18
Transportation	545 12
Text Books	1,199 67
Repairs	3,542 92
Supplies	1,947 35
Office Expense	666 82
Superintendent's Salary	2,200 00
Water	340 83

Miscellaneous

Additional Supplies	224 83
Enumeration	199 65
Additional Repairs	66 52
School Garden	59 40

Freight, Express and Cartage	16 20
Window Ventilators	12 75
Tuition	11 00
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Total Expenditures \$55,696 71

This shows that the expenditures for the year are \$492.65 less than the receipts for the year.

The school census of 1917 shows 5,935 school children between the ages of 5 and 21.

The public schools have steadily improved with respect to the general organization and efficiency. The High School is working with an unusual degree of harmony.

For further progress there is needed:

1—Better equipment in a number of details.

2—Trained teachers whenever changes become necessary.

3—Salaries for teachers that are in keeping with the times, so that we may maintain our standard and also increase the efficiency of the public schools in making Americans that will support the nation in its stand for liberty for the world.

I. Z. ALLEN,

Superintendent of Schools and Secretary of the Board
of Education.

Report of Street Commissioner

To the Honorable, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Biddeford:

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit for your information report of work done in Highway District 4, for the year ending January 31, 1918.

Highways

The following streets were graded and repaired with cinders:

Mt. Pleasant, Summer from Alfred to Birch, Highland, Lafayette, Green, Wentworth, Birch from Graham to Summer, Western avenue 600 feet, Chadwick place 200 feet, Graham 200 feet, Mason 200 feet, Mason 300 feet, May 200 feet, Prospect 400 feet, Lambert 300 feet, Alfred 200 feet, Ray 500 feet, Landry 300 feet, Harvey 75 loads, River 150 loads, graded sides of State Highway 200 loads.

Gravelling

The following streets were graveled:

West street from Five Points to Granite, Granite from West to Cottage, Prospect street 800 feet, Clark 300 feet, Myrtle and Porter entire length, Alfred from Fogg's to E. C. Stone's.

Resurfacing.

The following streets were resurfaced with gravel and tarvia :

Elm street from Aaron road to Spring's Island bridge, Main from Harmon's corner to Eastern Depot, St. Mary's, South from Main to Highland, Jefferson from Main to Washington, Washington from Jefferson to Alfred, Franklin from Main to Alfred, Pool road about two miles.

Bridges

Replanked Somesville and one-half of Bradbury bridge; painted and repaired railings on bridge over Thacher's Creek, also Westbrook bridge; enclosed City gravel pit with gate and fence.

Sidewalks

The sidewalks on the following streets were graded with cinders:

Western avenue, West Cutts street, Highland street, Elm street, extension Bradbury street, Union street, Graham street, Mason street, Wentworth street, Prospect street, Granite street, Hill and Summer streets.

Sewers and Drains

Sewers were constructed on the following streets:

Western avenue, 210 feet 12 inch pipe, South street, 130 feet 10 inch pipe, Harrison avenue, 580 feet 18 inch pipe, average depth of 10½ feet, 3 pockets, 2 manholes, Myrtle street, 300 feet 12 inch pipe.

Sewer Pockets

Graham street 2, Myrtle street 3, Lafayette street 4, Mt.

Vernon street 1, Foss street 1, extension Bradbury street 1, James street 1, Summer street 2. Rebuilt and repaired. 15.

I would call your especial attention to the dangerous condition of Hill, High and Sullivan streets and I would recommend the thorough repairing of one of these streets as an experiment, as it costs the Street Department approximately \$1,000 per year to scrape and cart away wash from these hills after storms.

I consider the Bradbury bridge in need of immediate attention and would recommend the construction of a new bridge the entire width of the street as the traffic is particularly heavy.

We removed the old tool house from State street to the new City lot on Birch street, and built a new tool house and sand shed. The appropriation was exceeded in this instance owing to the increased cost of material. The old lumber could not be used and had to be replaced with new.

The expense of caring for the snow from Feb. 1, 1917, to Feb. 1, 1918, was about one-half the appropriation for Streets and Sidewalks.

The approximate expense of caring for street cleaning and sanitary improvements on the permanent streets is about \$100 weekly.

The labor situation uring the past year has been critical owing to the demands from outside contractors.

I have and bought and paid for from my appropriation one road grader, one Scarafier, Menzie street carts and cans, and other supplies, the cost being increased about fifty per cent.

Labor cost one-ninth more than the year previous.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT H. DAY,
Street Commissioner.

Report of Biddeford Playground, 1917

To the Playground Committee of the Thursday club.

Ladies:—I take pleasure in submitting to you a report of the work done at the Clifford Park Playground through the season of 1917.

The playground was conducted five days a week from 1:30 to 4:30 for six weeks beginning July 9 and closing August 18. During this time three days were lost because of storms and one day when a circus was in town. Two sessions were cut short because of showers.

Six teachers were employed, four being paid by the Thursday club and two by the Park Commission. Miss Stone and Miss Auger were beginners in the work, but together with the rest helped to make the season successful. I am sure a more willing group of workers could not be found. Some of the teachers had special lines of work. Miss Ford took folk-dancing with the older girls, and Miss Carey with the younger. Miss Stone had a class in First Aid twice a week, treating on such practical subjects as fainting, care of the teeth, bruises, etc. Mr. Golding was at Sandy Bottom three mornings each week to teach swimming. I carried on the athletic badge tests for girls as outlined by the Playground and Recreation Association of America. I might state here that seven girls won first-class badges.

There were three hand-work periods each day. An in-

novation in this department was the Red Cross work done by 17 of the older girls and 15 of the smaller girls. The class of older girls under Miss Ford did the necessary hand-work on 31 hot water bottle bags, 27 pillow slips and 10 surgical socks. The younger girls under Miss Carey knit 15 bandages of the $3\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{4}$ size. This makes 83 Red Cross articles. Aside from this work 70 articles were made and paid for by the children for their own use. These included baskets, raffia bags, raffia frames for vases, crocheted yokes, dolls' sweaters and muffs, and bags woven from yarn.

The story-telling was unusually successful as Miss Auger had a period every day when she told stories entirely in French. These story periods together with the Victrola were in great demand during the excessive heat.

In general, the lines of work taken up were story-telling in French and in English, athletic work, hand work, Red Cross work, folk-dancing, practical first aid, swimming and games.

One thousand and ten children were registered during the season, and 152 visitors. The average attendance by weeks was—first week 330, second week 270, third week 122, fourth week 112, fifth week 144, sixth week 124. The average attendance for the season was 184.

Owing to a storm the exhibition was postponed one day, and then much to the disappointment of all concerned was entirely upset by a most inopportune shower.

The teachers wish me to convey to you their appreciation of your efforts in behalf of the playground and I, too, wish to add mine, but the most satisfying testimonial you could receive is in the pleasure given the children, many of whom have all too little in their lives.

Respectfully yours,

RUTH E. GOVE.

Biddeford, Me., August 20, 1917.

Mayors of the City from 1855 to Date

1855-6	Daniel E. Somes, Republican.
1857	James Andrews, Republican.
1858-9	Cyrus Gordon, Democrat.
1860	Jonathan Tuck, Democrat.
	Esreffe H. Banks, Republican, unexpired term of Jonathan Tuck.
1861-2	Seth S. Fairfield, Democrat.
1863-4	John Q. Adams, Democrat.
1865-6	Charles A. Shaw, Democrat.
1867-8	Ferguson Haines, Democrat.
1869	James R. Clark, Democrat.
1870-1	E. W. Wedgewood, Democrat.
1872	Francis G. Warren, Democrat.
1873	James H. McMullan, Republican.
1874-5	Francis G. Warren, Democrat.
1876	John H. Burnham, Democrat.
1877	Alfred Pierce, Republican.
1878	Charles M. Moses, Republican.
1879	James A. Strout, Democrat.
1880	Charles M. Moses, Republican.
1881-2	Elisha E. Clark, Republican.
1883-5	E. W. Staples, Democrat.
1886-7	Samuel F. Parcher, Democrat.
1888-9	C. E. Goodwin, Democrat.

- 1890-3 E. W. Staples, Democrat.
- 1894-5 Charles S. Hamilton, Republican.
- 1896-7 Carlos Heard, Citizen and Democrat.
- 1898-9 Levi W. Stone, Citizen and Republican.
- 1900-1 Nathaniel B. Walker, Citizen, Democrat and Republican.
- 1902 Joseph Gooch, Citizen, Republican and Democrat.
- 1903 Joseph Gooch, Citizen and Republican.
- 1904-5 Nathaniel B. Walker, Citizen and Republican.
- 1906-7 Gilman P. Littlefield, Citizen and Republican.
- 1908-9 Cornelius Horigan, Democrat and Independent.
- 1910-12 Albert O. Marcille, Democrat and Independent.
- 1913-15 James G. C. Smith, Democrat and Independent.
- 1916 Leopold A. Girard, Democrat and Independent.
- 1917 Hartley C. Banks, Democrat and Independent.

CITY CLERKS AND TERMS OF OFFICE

- 1855-7 Levi Loring, Jr.
- 1857-9 Frederick D. Edgerly.
- 1860 George H. Knowlton.
- 1861-9 Frederick D. Edgerly.
- 1870-2 John A. Staples.
- 1873-4 Cyrus P. Berry.
- 1875-6 Samuel Tripp.
- 1877-8 Cyrus P. Berry.
- 1879 Frank W. Roberts.
- 1880-2 Charles H. Parcher.
- 1883-93 Edgar A. Hubbard.
- 1894-5 Charles E. Pillsbury.
- 1896-7 William P. Freeman.
- 1898-9 Denis Murphy.
- 1900-3 Dayton T. Moore.
- 1904-6 Daniel H. B. Hooper.
- 1907-9 Albert O. Marcille.
- 1910-17 Thomas F. Locke.

Report of City Auditor

To the Honorable, the City Council of Biddeford:

Gentlemen: The receipts and expenditures in the various departments of the City, for the fiscal year ending January 31st, 1918, were as follows:

DEPARTMENTS	Appropriations	Unexpended Balances Feb. 1, 1917	Receipts from other Sources	Total Receipts	Expenditures	Debit Balance	Credit Balance
Bridges	\$ 2,000 00			\$ 2,000 00	\$ 2,059 32	\$ 59 32	
City Building	1,000 00		\$ 6,759 92	7,759 92	7,871 65	111 73	
City Library	2,200 00		220 00	2,420 00	2,420 00		
Contingent Fund	7,300 00		639 42	7,939 42	8,730 60	791 18	
Election Department	2,000 00			2,000 00	2,172 61	172 61	
Fire Department	20,000 00		32 50	20,032 50	19,477 74		554 76
Free Text Books	1,200 00			1,200 00	1,199 67		33
General Expense	7,000 00		278 50	7,278 50	7,210 03		68 47
Health Department	1,500 00			1,500 00	992 67		507 33
Highways, District No. 4	16,400 00			16,400 00	17,151 97	751 97	
Highways, Fortune's Rocks	1,300 00			1,300 00	1,423 10	123 10	
Highways, Hollis Road	700 00			700 00	693 57		6 43
Highways, Newtown Road	700 00			700 00	907 61	207 61	
Highways, Oak Ridge	650 00			650 00	725 13	75 13	
Highways, Pool District	1,000 00			1,000 00	653 26		346 74
Highways, Pool Road District	1,500 00			1,500 00	1,524 20	24 20	
Highways, Ward 7, East	500 00			500 00	486 08		13 92
Highways, Ward 7, North	450 00			450 00	462 59	12 59	
Highways, Ward 7, West	650 00		50 00	700 00	787 13	87 13	
Hydrants, Rental of	7,000 00			7,000 00	6,070 00		930 00
Insane	300 00			300 00	366 17	66 17	
Interest	15,000 00		1,460 45	16,460 45	17,072 70	612 25	
New Sewer		\$12,145 02		12,145 02	13,040 21	895 19	
Parks	600 00			600 00	458 64		141 36
Pauper Department	20,000 00		4,579 76	24,579 76	24,789 91	210 15	
Police Department	13,450 00		2,592 00	16,042 00	14,067 47		1,974 53
Resurfacing Streets	1,200 00			1,200 00	2,060 34	860 34	
Retiring Sewer Bonds	5,000 00			5,000 00	5,000 00		
Retiring Street Improvement Bonds	5,000 00			5,000 00	5,000 00		
Salaries	7,800 00			7,800 00	7,690 00		110 00
Schools, including \$500 Free H. S.	5,500 00	60	36,800 38	42,300 98	44,016 27	1,715 29	
Schools, Repairs, Supplies and Ins.	5,500 00			5,500 00	5,490 27		9 73
Sewers and Drains	4,500 00			4,500 00	4,025 45		474 55
Sidewalks	7,500 00			7,500 00	7,355 58		144 42
State Road	2,150 00		674 69	2,824 69	2,970 09	145 40	
Street Lights	12,500 00			12,500 00	11,931 28		568 72
Superintendent of Schools Salary	2,200 00		800 00	3,000 00	2,200 00		800 00
Woodlawn Cemetery	600 00		250 00	850 00	631 96		218 04
Street and Sidewalk Improvements			755 91	755 91	2,687 84	1,931 93	
Tool House and Lot	1,500 00			1,500 00	2,404 67	904 67	
Manual Training School	1,100 00		733 32	1,833 32	1,110 00		723 32
Domestic Science School	700 00		433 33	1,133 33	722 00		411 33
Evening School	800 00		422 33	1,222 33	958 50		263 83
State Tax	55,535 36			55,535 36	55,535 36		
County Tax	9,606 05			9,606 05	9,606 05		
Tax Deeds			359 99	359 99	589 52	229 53	
Temporary Loans			125,000 00	125,000 00	125,000 00		
Dog Licenses			282 18	282 18	259 00		23 18
General Licenses			181 50	181 50			181 50
Railroad and Telegraph Tax			931 48	931 48			931 48
State Pensions			1,311 00	1,311 00	1,311 00		
Overlay, incl. \$1,429.78 Supplemental	5,122 57			5,122 57	2,447 76		2,674 81
	\$258,213 98	\$12,145 62	\$185,548 66	\$455,908 26	\$453,816 97	\$9,987 49	\$12,078 78

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Respectfully submitted,

EDMOND BERGERON, Auditor.

Biddeford, January 31, 1918.

Report of City Auditor

To the Honorable, the City Council of Biddeford:

Gentlemen: The receipts and expenditures in the various departments of the City, for the fiscal year ending January 31st, 1918, were as follows:

DEPARTMENTS	Appropriations	Unexpended Balances Feb. 1, 1917	Receipts from other Sources	Total Receipts	Expenditures	Debit Balance	Credit Balance
Bridges	\$ 2,000 00			\$ 2,000 00	\$ 2,059 32	\$ 59 32	
City Building	1,000 00		\$ 6,759 92	7,759 92	7,871 65	111 73	
City Library	2,200 00		220 00	2,420 00	2,420 00		
Contingent Fund	7,300 00		639 42	7,939 42	8,730 60	791 18	
Election Department	2,000 00			2,000 00	2,172 61	172 61	
Fire Department	20,000 00		32 50	20,032 50	19,477 74		554 76
Free Text Books	1,200 00			1,200 00	1,199 67		33
General Expense	7,000 00		278 50	7,278 50	7,210 03		68 47
Health Department	1,500 00			1,500 00	992 67		507 33
Highways, District No. 4	16,400 00			16,400 00	17,151 97	751 97	
Highways, Fortune's Rocks	1,300 00			1,300 00	1,423 10	123 10	
Highways, Hollis Road	700 00			700 00	693 57		6 43
Highways, Newtown Road	700 00			700 00	907 61	207 61	
Highways, Oak Ridge	650 00			650 00	725 13	75 13	
Highways, Pool District	1,000 00			1,000 00	653 26		346 74
Highways, Pool Road District	1,500 00			1,500 00	1,524 20	24 20	
Highways, Ward 7, East	500 00			500 00	486 08		13 92
Highways, Ward 7, North	450 00			450 00	462 59	12 59	
Highways, Ward 7, West	650 00		50 00	700 00	787 13	87 13	
Hydrants, Rental of	7,000 00			7,000 00	6,070 00		930 00
Insane	300 00			300 00	366 17	66 17	
Interest	15,000 00		1,460 45	16,460 45	17,072 70	612 25	
New Sewer		\$12,145 02		12,145 02	13,040 21	895 19	
Parks	600 00			600 00	458 64		141 36
Pauper Department	20,000 00		4,579 76	24,579 76	24,789 91	210 15	
Police Department	13,450 00		2,592 00	16,042 00	14,067 47		1,974 53
Resurfacing Streets	1,200 00			1,200 00	2,060 34	860 34	
Retiring Sewer Bonds	5,000 00			5,000 00	5,000 00		
Retiring Street Improvement Bonds	5,000 00			5,000 00	5,000 00		
Salaries	7,800 00			7,800 00	7,690 00		110 00
Schools, including \$500 Free H. S.	5,500 00	60	36,800 38	42,300 98	44,016 27	1,715 29	
Schools, Repairs, Supplies and Ins.	5,500 00			5,500 00	5,490 27		9 73
Sewers and Drains	4,500 00			4,500 00	4,025 45		474 55
Sidewalks	7,500 00			7,500 00	7,355 58		144 42
State Road	2,150 00		674 69	2,824 69	2,970 09	145 40	
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